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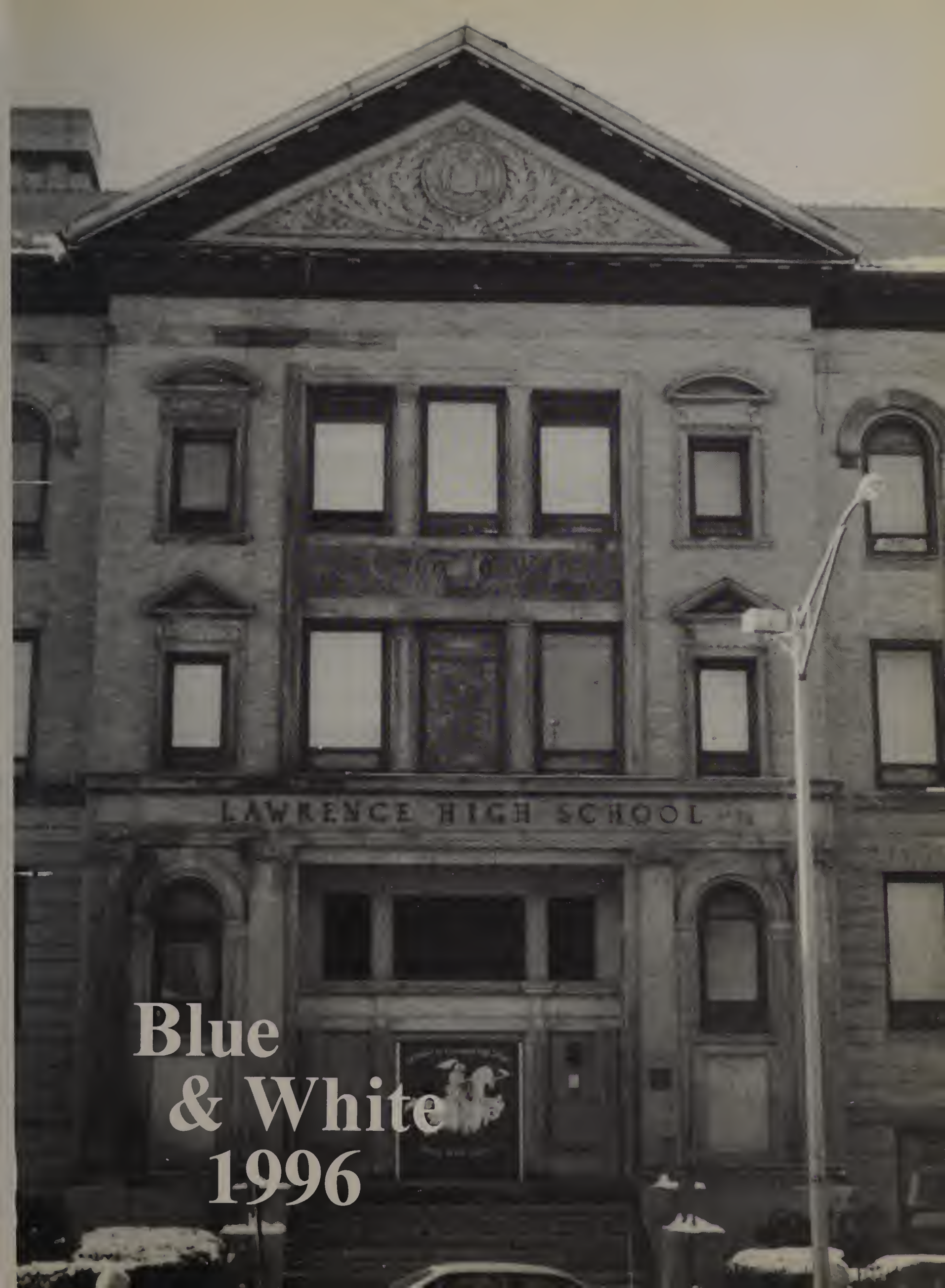

Blue & White 1996

We are all family in Mrs. Piccirillo's class

Peace, and in June I'm out.

We are twins! well, not really.

I don't need anything else, this reese's makes my mouth happy.

The three musketeers selling M & M's and kit kats for their class.

Class Of 1996

"Make the best of your four years here at Lawrence High School, because before you know it, it will be over."

And so we were told during a freshmen class meeting in 1992, as we entered LHS, unsure of what to expect from one another and unsure of what we would gain from ourselves. We took on a brand new challenge. A challenge that would force us to work hard; a challenge that would drive us to be all that we could; a challenge that instilled pride within us. When we first began, it was unknown that we would not take on this challenge individually, but that we would work as a class to accomplish common goals.

And so, now we look back upon all of our memories: the good times, the bad times, the tough times, the fun times, all of the unforgettable times. By taking on our first major task together, the future is not so hard to tackle. We thank that person who told us to make the best of our years at Lancers. We also remember how that same person told us that it would all be over before we knew it. Nothing could have been more truthful.

- Rebecca Melnick -
President Class of 1996

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To The Class Of 1996:

SUCCESS

To The Class Of 1996:

To Laugh And Often Love Much, To Win The Respect And The Affection Of Children; To Earn The Approbation Of Honest Critics And Endure The Betrayal Of False Friends; To Appreciate Beauty; To Find The Best In Others; To Give One's Self; To Leave The World A Bit Better, Whether By A Healthy Child, A Garden Patch, Or A Redeemed Social Condition; To Have Played And Laughed With Enthusiasm And Sung With Exultation; To Know Eben One Life Has Breathed Easier Because You Have Lived- This Is To Have Succeeded.

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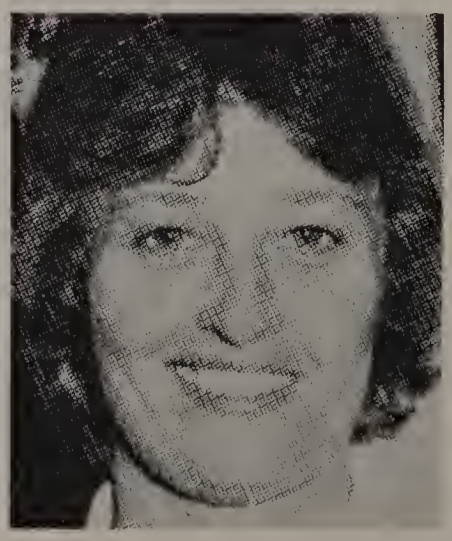

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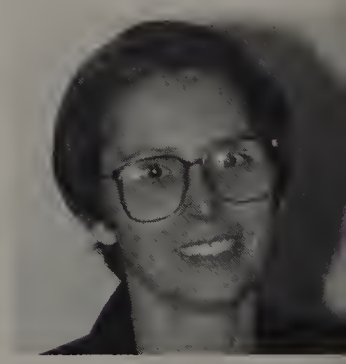

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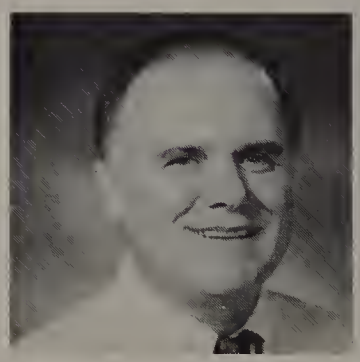

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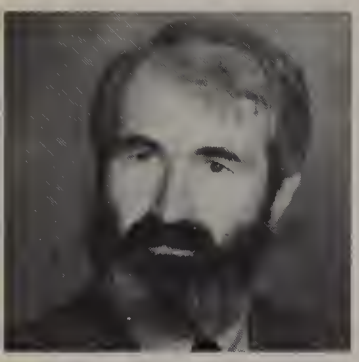
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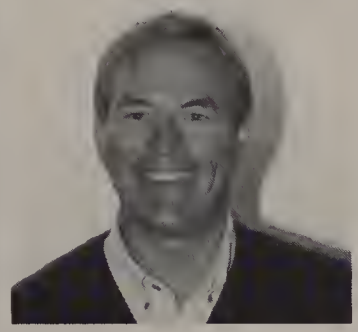
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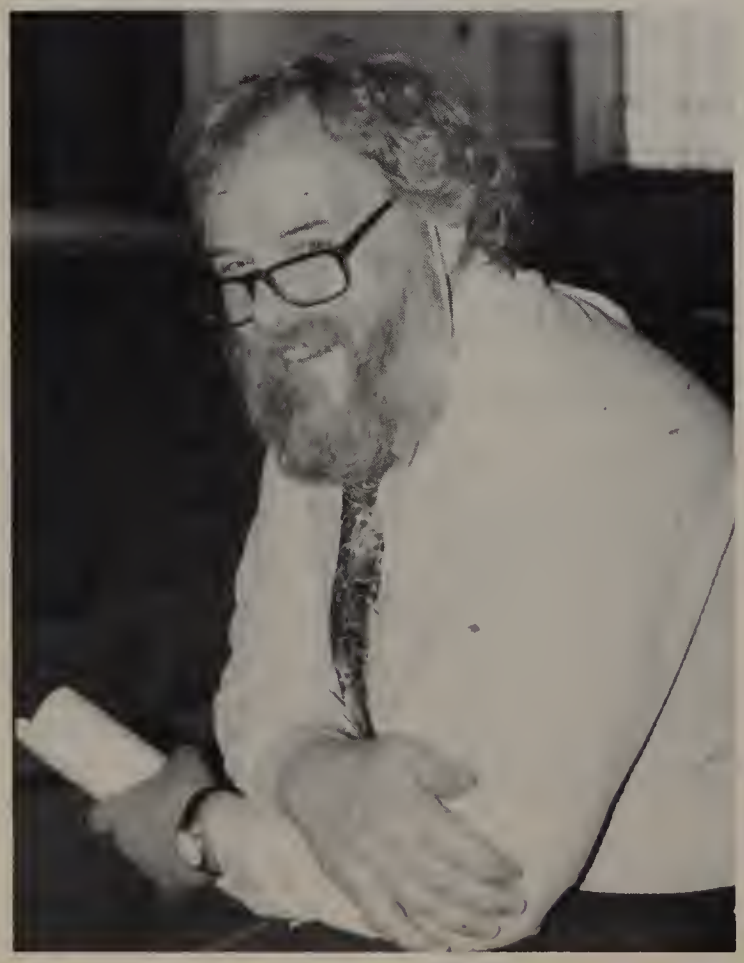

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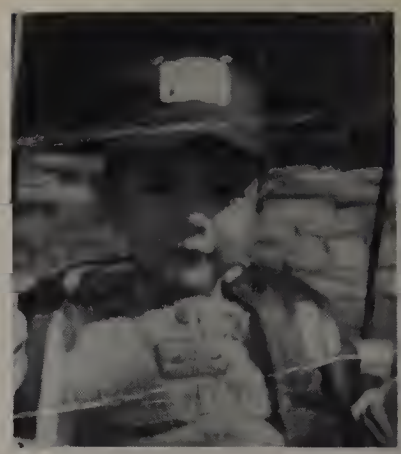
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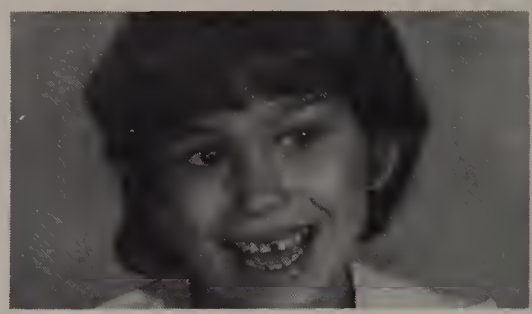
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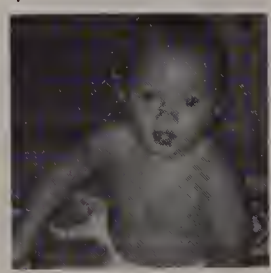
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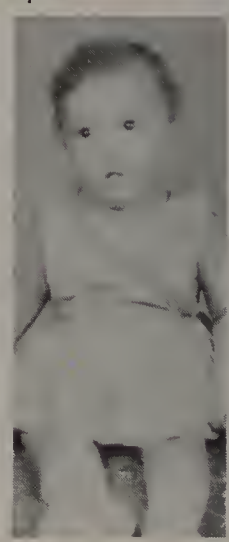
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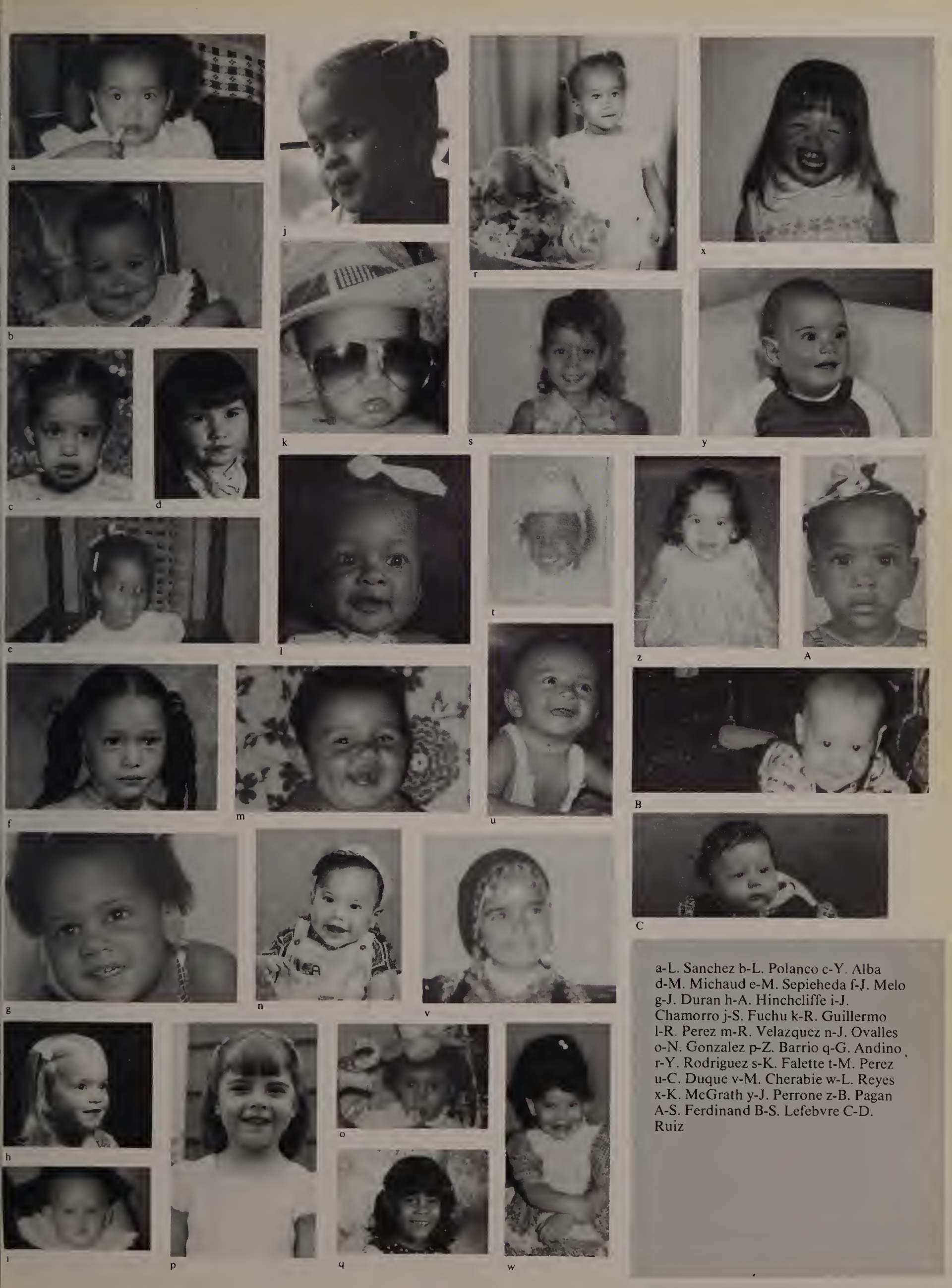

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Quick, Mr. Photographer! I'm late for class.

Don't let my teacher see me playing games.

Peace! How about buying a package of M & M's?

Jessica and Hoa showing off their kool-aid smiles.

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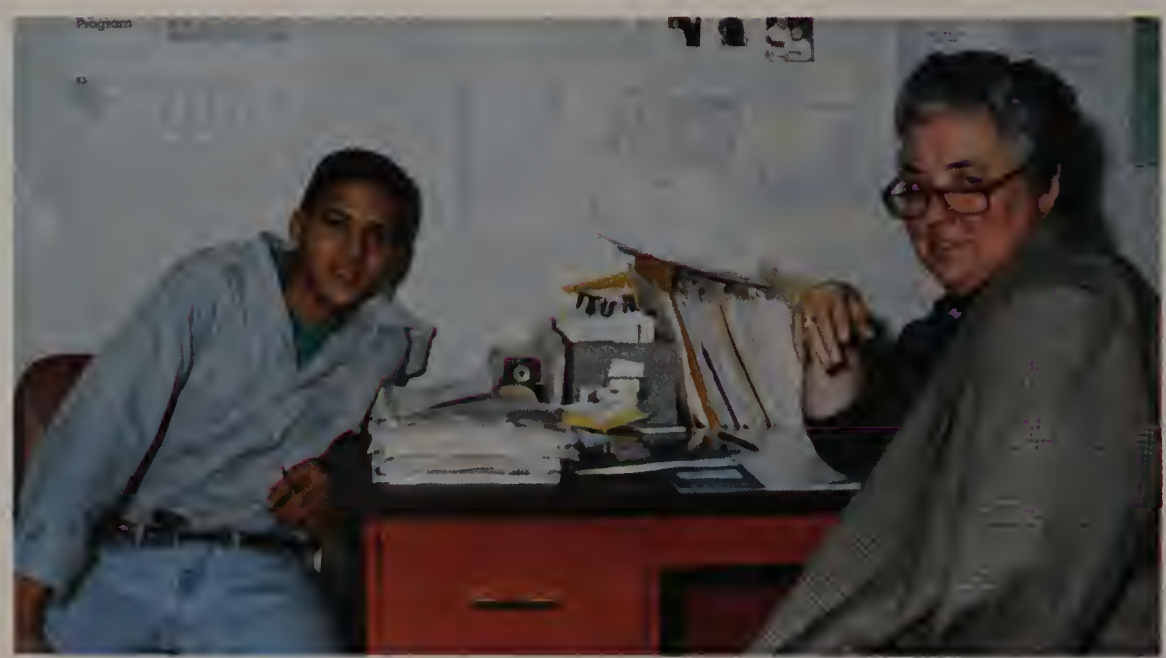


We are all together to learn and when were done it's party time.

Typing the news, a group effort for the T.V. Production Crew.

Mrs. Fowler and Mr. Fernandez are happy now, but they'll be sad to see the seniors go in June

Mrs. Lefebre only keeps us for 1/2 a year but it doesn't take long to get close.

Hey, Mr. Photographer take a look at my pearly whites!

Yesenia D. Alba

Dawn Allen

Edwin D. Alvarez

Shirley Amaro

Grisela Andino

Finally I am out of here! I love you Mike.

Escipion Baez

Juan Baez

To everyone who didn't think I was going to make it, look at me now!

Zoraida R. Barrio

Things come to those who wait, but only the things left behind by those you hustle. Lots of love to the Class of 96 and A.V!

Noelia Batista

I like to thank God and all the people who helped me to get here and to those who are staying. Good Luck.

Yadira Batista

Wilmaly Becerril

Kristen Becotte-Kennedy

Adalberto Blanco

Erica Borrero

Most of us spend a lot of time dreaming of the future, never realizing that a little of it arrives each day. Make the most of it before it's too late. Peace, I'll miss you all!

Nancy C. Bran

Jessica A. Brennan

Thanh Bui

Denisse A. Burgos

Yasnanhia Cabral

The struggle for any dream is always worth the effort, for in the struggle lies it's strength and fulfillment . . .

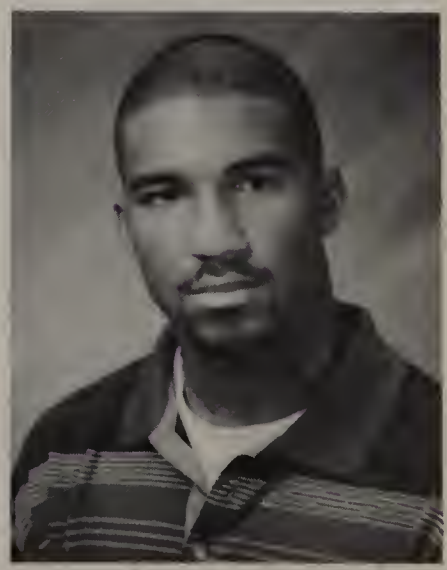
Jason F. Cabrera

Lya F. Cabrera

Raquel Calderon

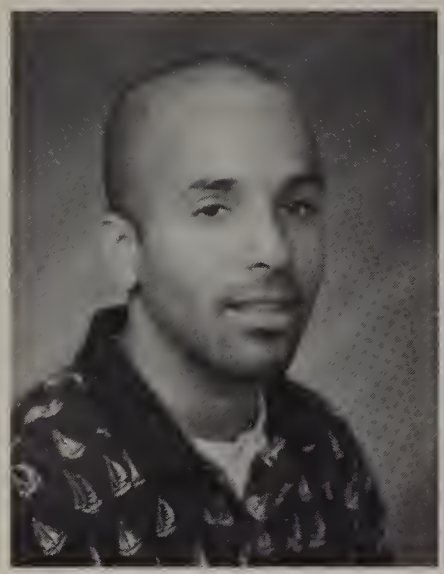
Kimberly A. Calo

Everyone has stones in thier path. You either step over them or step around them. You don't need to pick them up and carry them with you.



Elvis Campos

Life is a gamble. We scramble for money. I might crack a smile but ain't a damn thing funny. #34 Mobb Deep



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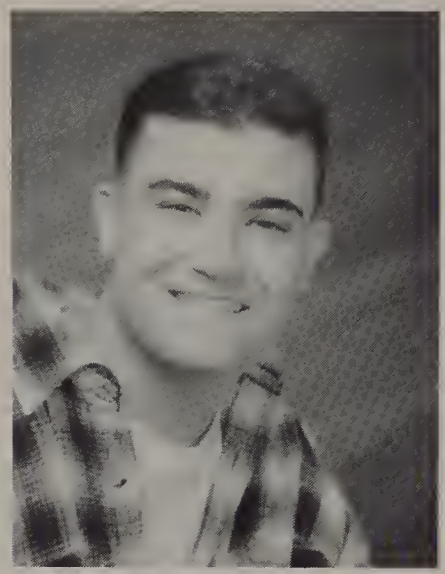


Kevin Carvalho

Jaclyn Cascio

If you reveal your secrets to the wind, do not blame the wind for revealing them to the trees. Kahlil Gibran Hey A.H., Good call! #17

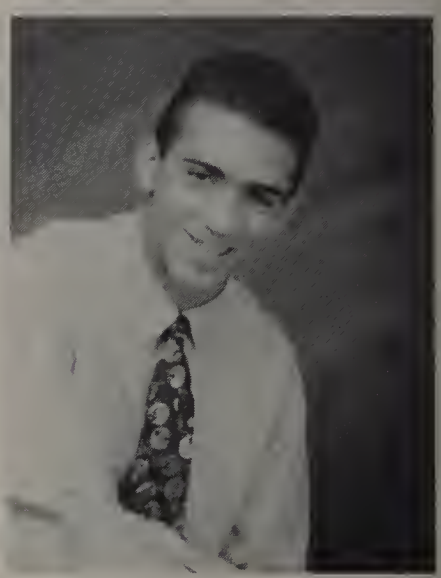
Thomas Casey

Live every day as if were you're last. However, plan for the future. Life is all about excitement. Have fun. Good luck to everyone in the future.

Jennifer Castillo

Nancy Castillo

Francisca Castro



Asael Cespedes

Things may come to those who wait, but just what's left by those who hustle. EAT MY DUST!! Track Capt. '93-'96 4 x 100 M: L.L., R.P., S.C., A.C. 43.87 seconds A.C. + C.M.D. S.C. + R.P.G.

Michell Cherabie

If you make the effort today, you will see what you have done tomorrow. IT'S A BREEZE WHEN YOU'RE LEBANESE!! Mich #21 Blood love ya!! 2-the frosties, love ya!!

Corey Christie

To do all things in one lifetime I'd say it's just too tough. But if you live each day to the fullest, one lifetime is just enough. Show & Prove '96. It was fun.

Loum Chum

Hector Clarke

One love to all my original heads, Al, Quillis, Japhar, Statx, Feedbak, Ridler, Steven, Krum snatcher, my baby Lu, and R.I.P. to my cuz Big Ant. 4OKS

Christine L Clouse

Ada L. Colon

It is better to be hated for what you are than loved for what you are not. Good luck class of '96.

Jason Colon

Kenia Concepcion

Fear? What has a man to do with fear? Many a man has dreamt as much, such things must be forgotten if life is to be endured.

Nolasco Cortorreal

Wendy Crocker

What lies behind us and what lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us. F.H. 9-1-4 Wing!

Debbie Cruz

Finish high school with your head held high and never give up.

Luis A. Cruz

Amy Cupeles

Vanessa David

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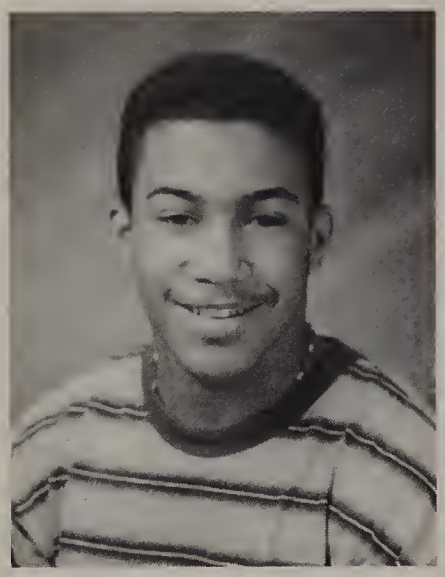


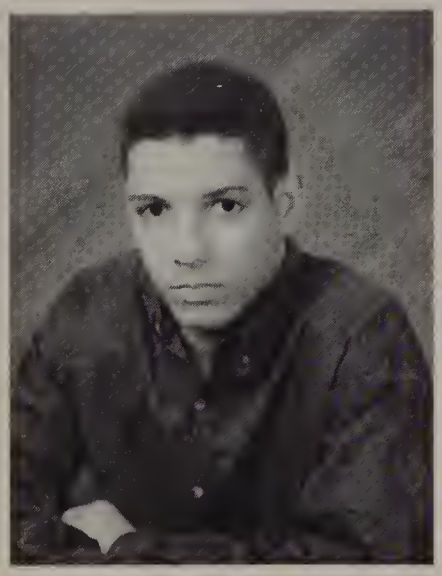
Nelson DelaRosa

Christian Delgado

Yomaira Diaz

Best of luck to all my "real" friends. It's been a crazy 4 years. Thanks to the people who were there then and are still here today! It's been real.

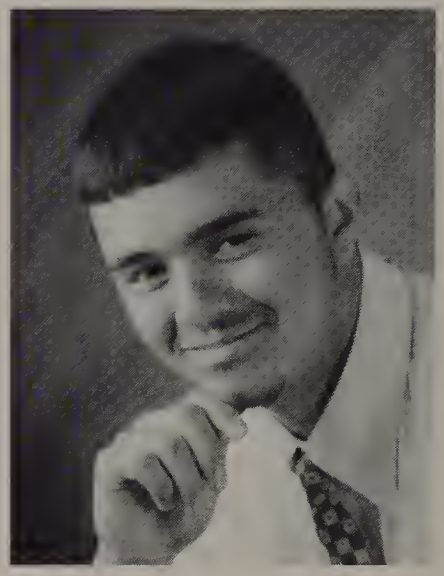
Carlos E. Dominguez



Juan J. Duarte

Aldilis Dume

The only thing we have to fear is fear itself.



Cesar A. Duque

Jennie Duran

Life is like a box of chocolate, you never know what you are going to get. Good luck to all you chocolate heads. Ahh yeah '96

Ingrid M. Fabian

Kenya Falette

When making your choice in life, don't forget to live.

Roger Farah

Shani Ferdinand

John A. Fuchu

Shakira Fuchu

To the "Female Clique of '96", no matter what it is you want to do, do it. You never know unless you try if it's meant to be, it'll happen.

Josue Garcia

Michael A. Garcia

Rafael E. Garcia

Jessica Gardner

Don't look outside of yourself for strength and confidence. It comes from within. It is there all the time. F.H. #4 9-1-4

Lisa Gaudet

Always make the most of every day because you never know if it will be your last. Remember, everybody that lives will die, but not everybody that dies has truly lived.

Eny G. Genao

Rosa A. Gil

Virgen Gomez

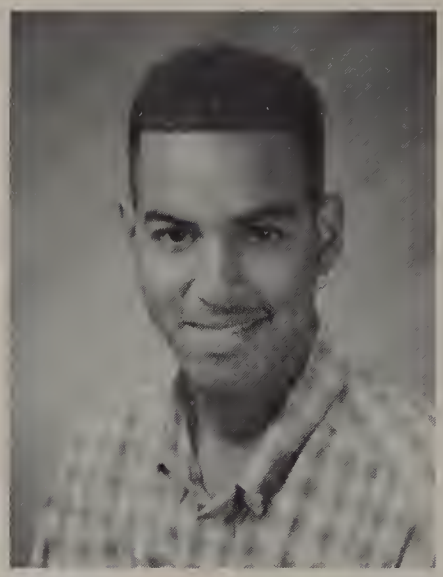
Catherine Gonzalez

Keitza Gonzalez

When you believe in yourself, anything is possible.

Nidia Gonzalez

Avoid negative sources, people, places, things and habits. Believe in yourself. Consider things from every angle and don't give up and don't give in.



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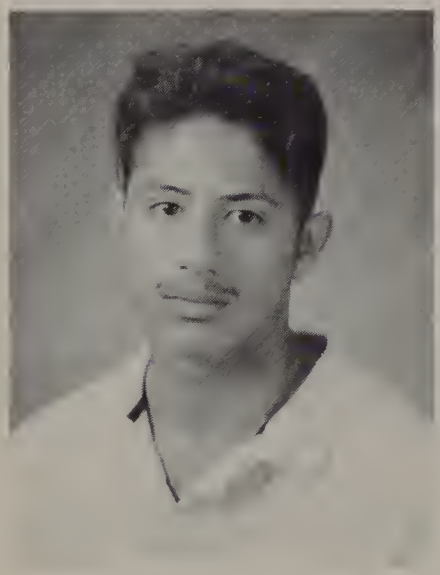
Sandra L. Gonzalez

There are no shortcuts to life's greatest achievements.

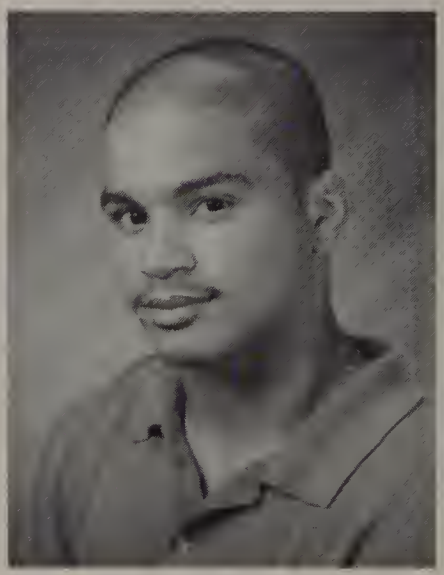
Raymond Guillermo



Victor X. Gutierrez

Ana E. Guzman

Attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference.



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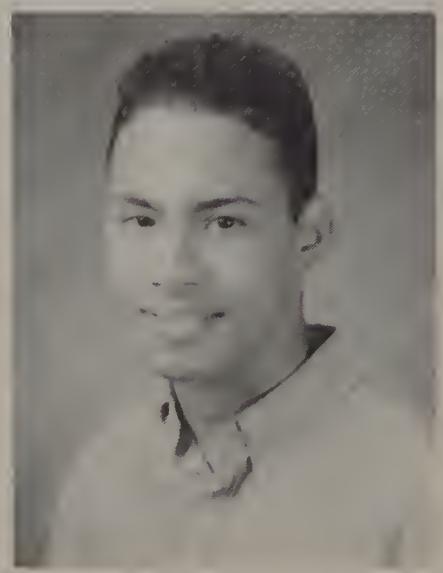


Hamlet A. Henriquez

Carmen Heredia

Amanda Hinchcliffe

Once you say you're going to settle for second, that's what happens to you in life, I find. J.F.K. Hey J.C. Yummy #14 F.H. 9-1-4

Alissar Hyder

Someone else's garbage is someone else's treasure.

Esmeralda Jerez

Amin Jimenez

Good Luck. Have a great life. Peace to the class of 1996.

Juan Jimenez

Luz Delalba Jiminez

Aura E. Labour

Leo Lam

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams. Don't ever give up on your dreams.

Tho M. Lam

Moises J. Lantigua

Elizabeth Lavasta

Hoa V. Le

Hung V. Le

Mai K. Le

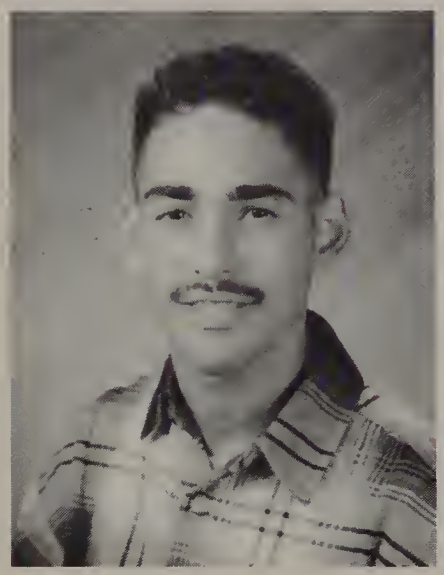
There's this one particular harbor. So far but yet so near. Where I see the days as they fade away and finally disappear.

Uyen K. Le

Gabriel Lebron

Stephen Lefebvre

I'd rather die standing than live on my knees.



Luis A. Leon

Cesar A. Llanos

Nicole Lockard

Gabriel Lopez

My mind is rock solid but it flows like fluid. Chemists get confused by my ill composition. Peace to all my people doing Risky Business. I represent my clique like a four pound. Q-tip, Keith Murray

Isaac J. Lopez

Marielin Lopez

Noemi Lopez

Beyaniris Lora

Olien Lu

Olien Lu says "I love you, to all of my crew!" One L-O-V-E baby 4OKS!!!

Angel L. Luciano

Anan Makdesi

Souzi Makdissi

Joanna Maria

Bowinkle. I love ya! To the Frosties!

Jose M. Marine

Cheryl Marshall

Take care of yours cuz it's real in '96!

Wendy Marshall

Carmen Marte

Francisco Marte

Christine Martinez

Our laughter and great times may be gone but our memories at L.H.S. will never be forgotten. To the clique S, J, C, J, and to everyone else, stay true!

Ludivan Martinez

This graduation means a lot to me, so I can go to college to begin my career.

Marco A. Martinez

Yovani Martinez

Yoany E. Martinez

Follow your stars to a brighter future and you will make it.

Rosalda Martinez

Kathia Martis

Kimberly McGrath

Smile and the world will smile with you.

Gloria Medero

You cannot control the length of your life, but you can control it's depth and height.

Rebecca Melnick

Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead, where there is no path and leave a trail. I love you Frosties. Much love to P.L. 3. F.H. #34 9-1-4

Julissa Melo

Santiago Mezquita

Dreams can come true.

Malinda Michaud

I had four great years at L.H.S. . I will miss all my friends. I had some wonderful teachers that I will miss. I will never forget them.

Brian Mohika

These evil streets are ruff, ain't no one you can trust. It's roll to rush or get rushed cuz all we got is us.

Jacques M. Moise

I shall proceed and continue . . .

Marielussa A. Moise

Your parents can only give good advice or put you on the right paths. The final forming of your character lies in your own hands.

Blanca J. Molina

Alexandra Montanez

Luis Montanez

Katherine Morales

Awilda Moreta

Neit O. Morillo

Nilda Navarro

Congratulations Class of '96. Peace

Chilinh Nguyen

My N. Nguyen

The heart has it's reasons which reasons do not know.

Claribel Nunez

Janet L. Nunez

Reach for reality because only fools reach for stars.

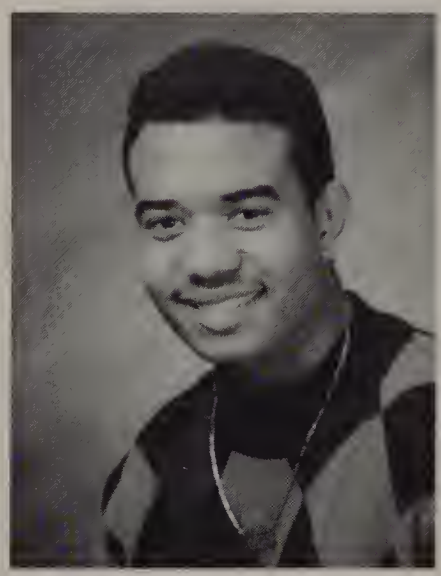
Olabisi Obasa

Alex Ochaeta

I wish everyone who comes after me can have the same great years.

Juana L. Oriach

Wilton F. Ortega



Francisco A. Ortiz

Jennie Ortiz

Jose Ovalles

Juan I. Ovalles

If you listen to what people do around you, and see what people say about you, you will know how people feel about you. Good Luck '96!

Angel D. Pabon

Since I've been in this school, I've always been serious. However, people don't know how I am for real.

Brenda Pagan

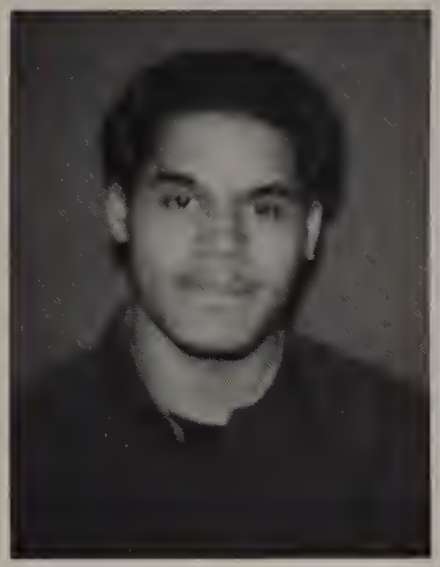
Never give up until you completely succeeded in life. Remember it is not only your frineds who guide you to your future!

Brian Parreira

Candi Peguero

Melisa A. Peguero

The successful people in life are the people who persist.



Carlos Pena

Ernesto N. Pena

Juan C. Pena

Waleska Pena

Le doy gracias a mi mami y papi por se empre estar commigo cuando yo los e necesitado.

Ramona Penalo

Peace to all of my friends. Hope to see y'all in the future. Peace to my crew, Lu, Ra, Itz, Yomax, Shaq, J., P. #20. Rocks class of '96

Alexandra Peralta

Hector Perez

All the Lex Coupes, Beamers and the Benz, To all the fly ladies and my friends. Keep ya head up. Peace to all the '96 Risky Biz.

Jahnida Perez

Hope is what keeps me alive,
I have survived becasue I tried.
Giving up is not what I plan,
Succeeding is where I stand.

Janelle Perez

Maria Perez

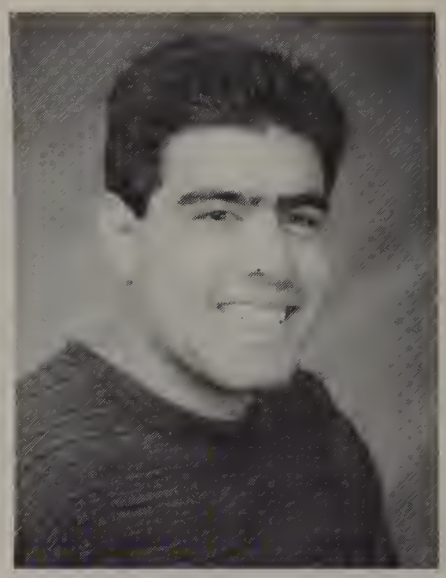
Never give up on your dreams, impossible as they may seem. Even though the struggle and strife, always believe in your gift of life. Much love to the "frostics"! M.V.P. #37

Marinela Perez

It's finally over. For the ones leftt, stay in school. Over, see ya!

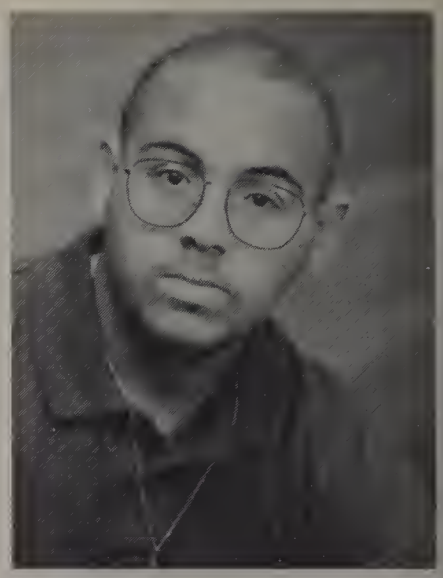
Rosa J. Perez

I want to send much love to the class of '96. Especially to the R.E.A.L. clique, we've been through so much in 4 years. I'm looking forward to successful futures. Good luck.



Joseph Perrone

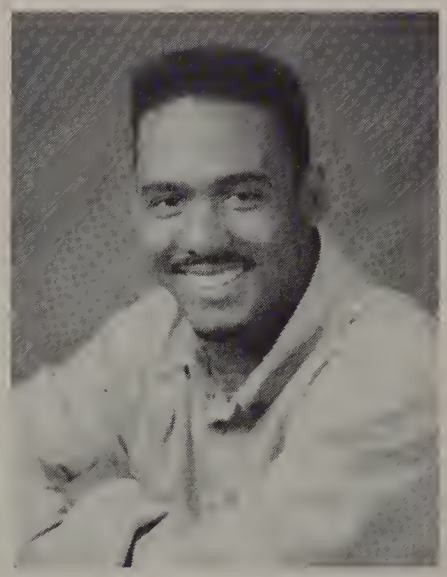
Congratulations to all of the class of '96. May we all choose the right paths in the future and be successful in them. God bless you all.



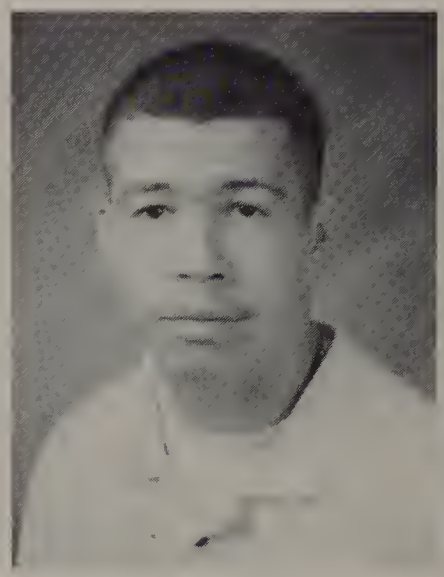
Jose Pichardo

Teachers open the door, but you must enter yourself.

Camille Picole



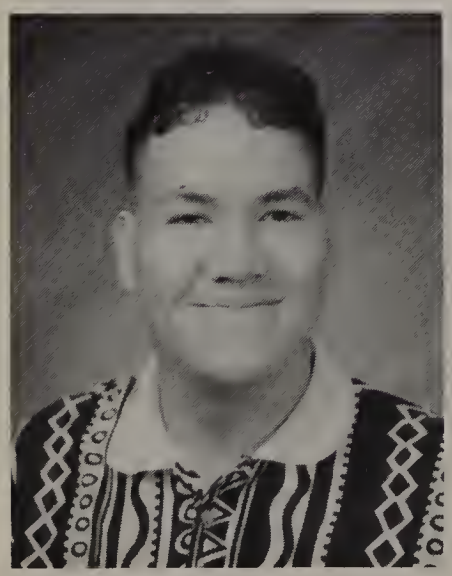
Robert W. Pina



Nelson Pineiro

The bucks that bought the bottle could've struck the lotto. Risky Biz on the rise.

Christina Pineiro



Carlos J. Plaza

Limary Polanco

Don't let people's comments put your hopes down. Just keep your head up and reach for the top.

Janet Polanco

Mario Planco

Your life in this world can be as big or as small as you make it. It's all up to you. #24

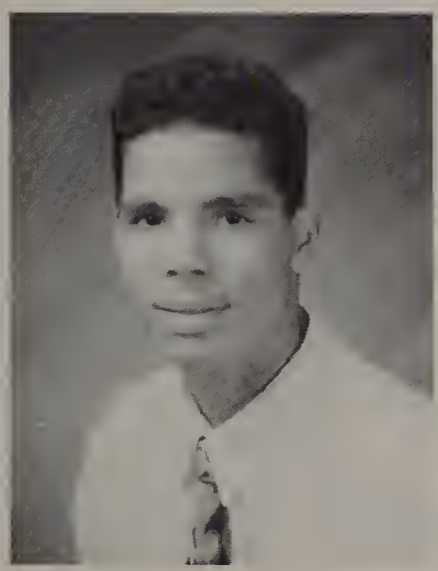
Raquel Polanco

Joseph Porter

Ingrid Portorreal

Michelle Potvin

Brenda A. Quinones



Nestor Quirindongo

Betsy Ramos

Carlos A. Ramos

Cynthia Repollet

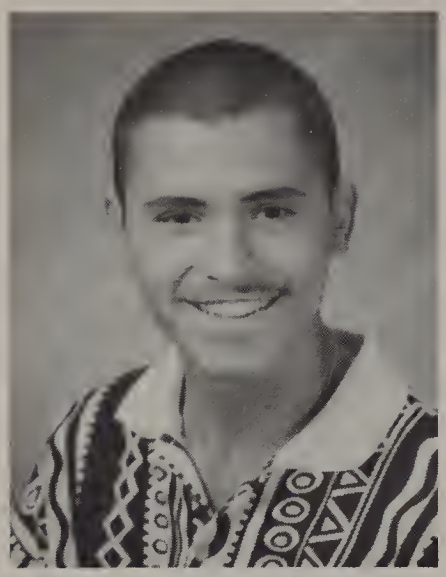
Felix Resto

Franklyn T. Reyes

To get Big, you get Big Champagne and Moet. You can party till you sweat. The $'s yours to get. U.B.N.V.S. The Ridler

Luz Reyes

Peace out to the female clique of '96. Everyone in there good luck. A lot of love especially to R.E.A.L. . Extra love to "A", even though she didn't graduate!! One Love



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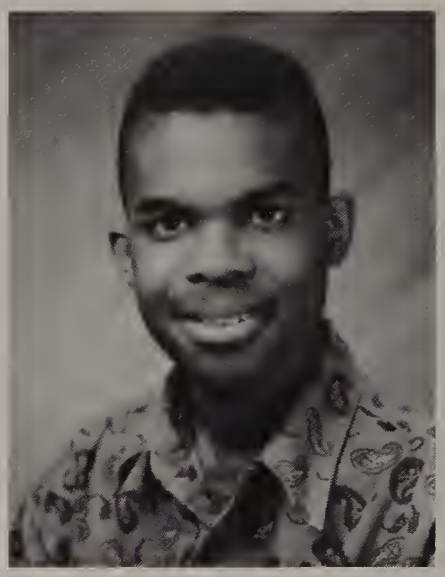
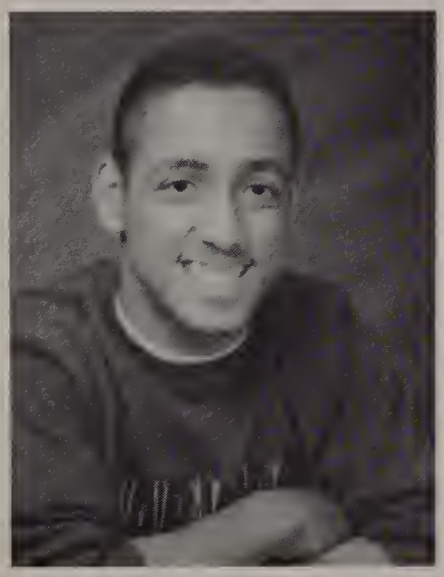


Samuel Robinson

Yajaira Rodriguez

I am happy to be graduating but I won't forget school. I have learned a lot here.



Adam L. Rosario

Jose A. Rosario

Odilis A. Rosario

What I learned, I learned it from you Mom. Thanks for teaching me all these beautiful things I learned.

Praxedes Rosario

Damaris Ruiz

To all of us who are graduating; I hope that your dreams and goals are met and that we are all remembered as winners. Class of '96 #1. Go Lancers!

Gloria Sabando

Esdras Sabino

Anny Y. Sanchez

Karbin E. Sanchez

Lucelenia Sanchez

Congratulations Class of 1996. Peace

Angel L. Santana

Jessenia Santiago

Jose Santiago

Thank God I'm a senior. As for all you up and coming seniors, have fun, work hard, and good luck. #72 Peace and I'm out!

Luz S. Santiago

Maria L. Santiago

Congratulations Class of '96. Love ya all!

Ramon Santiago

Milady A. Sepulveda

Mary Jo Shafer

Jeffrey Solomon

Matthew Solomon

I'd have to compare the past four years to a roller coaster ride: There's been ups and downs, and now that it's over with, I have the urge to vomit.

Frances A. Suarez

Be always true to yourself and others. I will miss the Class of '96. I hope that one day I can see all my friends again. Cheers to all the cheerleaders. God Bless.

Francisco J. Suarez

Tiffany Sweder

Kieu V. Tien

Nitza E. Tirado

Vuth Toeur

Itzamarie Torres

Jessica Torres

A woman is often measured by things she cannot control. The way her body curves, where she is flat, straight, or round. All of these things don't add up to who she is inside. Measurements are only statistics. And STATISTICS LIE. Good Luck!!

Jocelyn Torres

Jose O. Torres

Thanh L. Tran

Tuan H. Tran

Dang Khoa Tran

Alexandra Urena

Just look into your heart and you will find the confidence in yourself that will make each challenge easier to face.

Jennifer Vanderveer

Life is like a game of cards. The hand is dealt to you represents determination. The way you play it is up to you.

Damaris Vazquez

Many receive advice, only the wise profit from it. Good Luck!

Japhet Velazquez

Meilene Velazquez

Rosemarie Velazquez

No matter what people say or what they do, the only thing that matters is what you think of you. Field Hockey we may not have came in 1st but in my heart, you'll always be #1.

Alexandra Villa

Quy Vo

Pamela Wall

If you love something.
Let it fly free . . .
And if it comes back to you,
You know it was meant to be.

Multi-talented Pam. poses for two pictures at once.

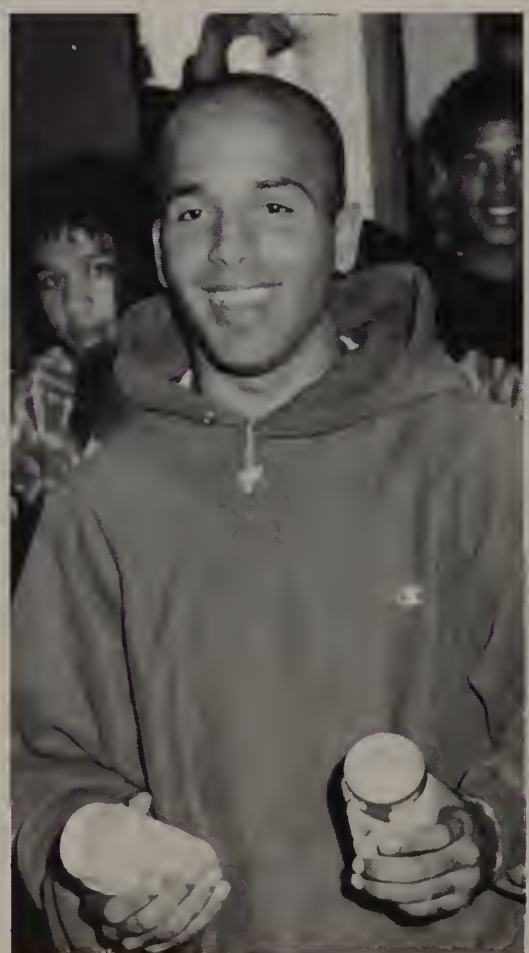
The A.P. Chemistry class prepares to discover the meaning of life.

Class is a blast, too bad I'm graduating into the real world.

Juan peaks into the picture with Ray and Frances in class.

Peace to the Class of 96, L.H.S. was fun

Corey: Hey this is cool. Jen: Yeah I want my picture taken.



Can't decide what to drink with lunch? Lin has the answer, drink everything.

This is our final year together at lunch and Hector is trying to catch some Z's.

I'll take a quick break from my work to have my picture taken.

Show'en off those pearly whites for the camera

Look Mrs. Le, the photographer's taking our picture for the yearbook.

The frosties pose in front of the athletic hall of fame were they may some day be honored.

hey Angel, take a break from the newspaper for a quick photo

Kenia, Alex, and Yasnania pose together in the auditorium on club photo day.

How are things going Michelle and Maria? Juan seems to be having a good day.

Another guest speaker captures the attention of the students at Lawrence High.

What a pretty smile for the yearbook

Game point Jose, looks like 6'4" wins another one.

CLASS of 1996

Hey Mr. Photographer! Wanna buy a whatchamacallit? I have change.

The In-House staff is always cheery, but nobody else is if they have to go spend a day with them.

Elvis lives! and he's the star of this show in homeroom.

ATHLETICS

The football team was 6 and 3 before the Thanksgiving game. They anticipated a very good battle against Lowell on Thanksgiving Day. This year was a very good year, and a football tradition started to grow here in Lancerville. This year's seniors contributed a great deal of hard work for a successful season. Hopeful for a victory, but even without, the football team should feel proud as they had a spectacular season. Looks like the seniors left with great memories to treasure always! Good Luck!!

Here are some of the football teams' finest. At their best?

FOOTBALL

Let's go #20! Go for another one!

Tackle him Defense!

Working together, and cheering on your team! That's how a team works!

Go for it! Go all the way!

Nice kick Vic!

Take him down!

Coach Q. and Coach R. looking ready to win!

Hut! Hut! Hut!

Lawrence Lancers in action.

Nice tackle! Way to go Lawrence!

Lancers rearing and ready to kick butt!

Ada celebrates another all-star play during her senior season.

Samika sends one right back in the face of a defender for a point.

Yohaira gives a teammate five after a good play.

Esmeralda congratulates Ada as Jen and Samika wait their turn to give their congratulations.

VOLLEYBALL

Damaris plays defense at the net waiting for the chance to make a monster block.

Samika claps as she waits for the next play to begin.

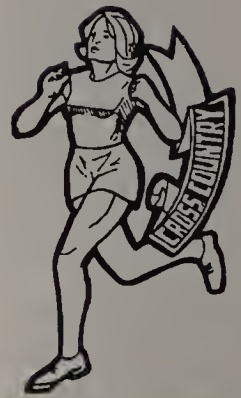
Ada and Esmeralda get together in celebration during a game.

ADA COLON
Lawrence Senior
Setter/Hitter

An all-Merrimack Valley Conference selection. Lawrence's heart and soul. Team's lone returning starter. Led Lancers to several late-season upsets. A terrific defensive player. Excelled at every position. Averaged team-high 13.2 points for basketball team. One of the best all-around athletes in the region.

Coach Parthum and the gang before a meet.

CROSS COUNTRY



Willie sprints into the lead.

It was a tough season for the cross country team this year, but everyone still worked hard to run their best. The determination paid off as we all improved our speed and endurance. The members of the team learned to work together as a family, pushing each other to give of themselves just a little bit more. When we could reach inside our hearts and muster every last ounce of our strength, we knew we had run well, and deserved to be proud of our performances.

-Lisa Gaudet

Lisa's moving in on her opponents.

Three Lawrence guys all in front. The way it should always be.

I think I can, I think I can, I think I can . . .

Good job! Stretching is very important!

Lisa's in the lead once again!

Go Nelson, look at that stride!

Keep working! Here we go L.H.S.!!

Willie and Rodney, working hard.

Isn't it great to have a Mom to support the team!?

All alone, where is everyone?

On your mark, get set, let's go L.H.S.!!

Go get em' girls!

Hey Misael, where's **your** suit?

HHhhuuuu! (big breath!)

Let's go L.H.S.!!

SWIMMING

Michelle's keeping time.

Great smile Elizabeth!

The L.H.S. swim team was fortunate to have a new assistant coach this year, to help out. They also recieved greatly appreciated equipment. These lady lancers worked hard and improved a great deal causing them to have a great season. The returning ladies look forward to another successful season next year, but will miss the graduating seniors dearly. Good luck to all!

Here is the L.H.S. swim team. Smile ladies!

Ready, set, GO!!

Giving each other moral support. Now that's teamwork

Working hard! Keep it up!

Always remember to breath.

Last minute advice from their new assistant coach.

Nice job Claudia, Great work!

Field-Hockey

1995 was the year of the "Dream Team" for L.H.S. Field Hockey. In late August ten seniors, five juniors, and one sophomore set their sights on a run for the league championship and a post-season state tournament berth. Teamwork and pride in performance were the driving forces all season that pushed the players to be winners.

The league championship was up for grabs until the last game of the season. A win over Chelmsford would have clinched first place. The hard fought game ended in a frustrating 1-1 tie, giving Lawrence a respectable second place finish in the Merrimack Valley Conference. Then it was on to the state tournament where the Lady Lancers beat Beverly 1-0, and then lost to eventual Divison 1 North Champion Weston, 3-1. A beautiful season was over but not without its rewards. Senior Goalie Wendy Crocker was selected league Co-MVP. All-Conference players named were Jackie Cascio, Jessica Gardner, and Wendy Crocker. All-Stars chosen were Amanda Hinchcliffe and Pam Wall. It was a very successful season, ending with a 10-3-5 record.

Here's the Field Hockey team after a big victory: very dirty, but very happy!

Wow Kim! Look at that stride!

Hey two on one, that's not fair!

A Field Hockey ritual: to hit sticks before a game for good luck.

Jessica takes a hit.

The Big "D"

10 - 3 - 5

"Shoot the ball Sally!"

Here are the ten seniors excited before a big game.

Amanda warming up before a game.

Jackie passes the ball infield.

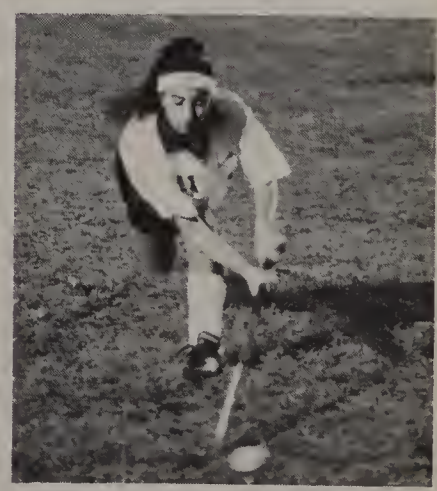
Rose and Michelle practicing.

Caroline shoots the ball.

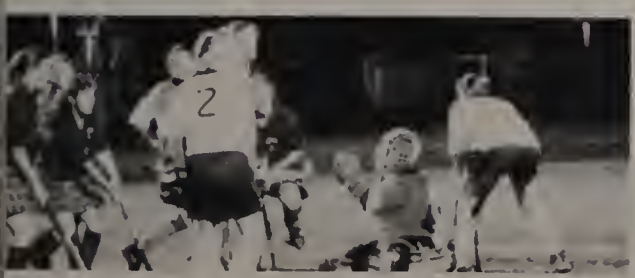
Can you tell who this is?

Senior Goalie, Wendy Crocker.

Amanda and Jessica in action.



Michelle's unstopable!



Uh-Oh! Wendy's down!

Here's our defense in practice.

Here's our defense in action.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

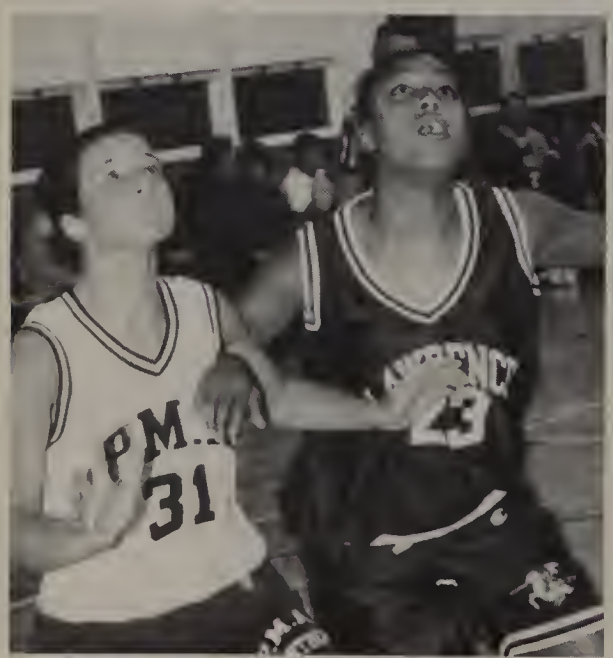
The 1995-96 Lawrence High School Girls Basketball Team poses for the team picture.

As Ada watches the shot she tries to get in position to grab the rebound.

Luz Reyes sets up for an outside jump shot.

Caroline Leahy takes a jumper with a defender's hand in her face.

Ada and Damaris defend the inbound pass against P.M.A.



Damaris moves around a defender to grab the rebound.

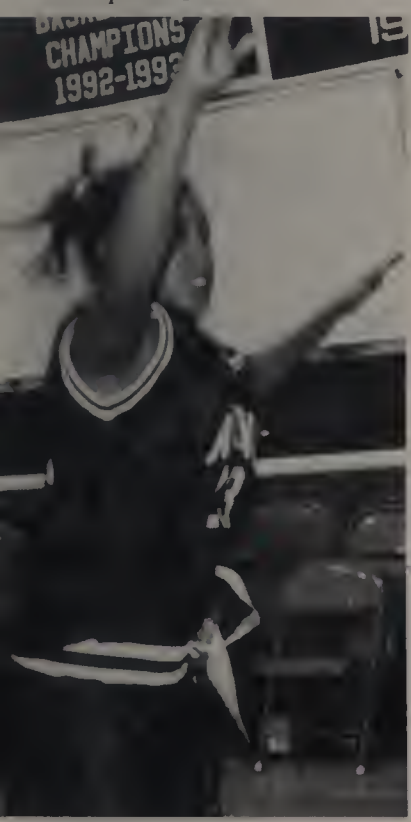
Ada dribbles to the basket with a defender chasing her from behind and one in front of her.

Wide open Amanda takes a layup for an easy two points.

Ada leaps towards the hoop for a two point shot.

Kristen Sicard dribbles toward the hoop under the close watch of a defender.

Caroline attempts to inbound the ball as the ref counts out five seconds.



Lawrence's three female senior basketball players get together for a photo. Amanda Hinchcliffe, Ada Colon, Luz Reyes

Amanda sets up all alone for a two point shot.

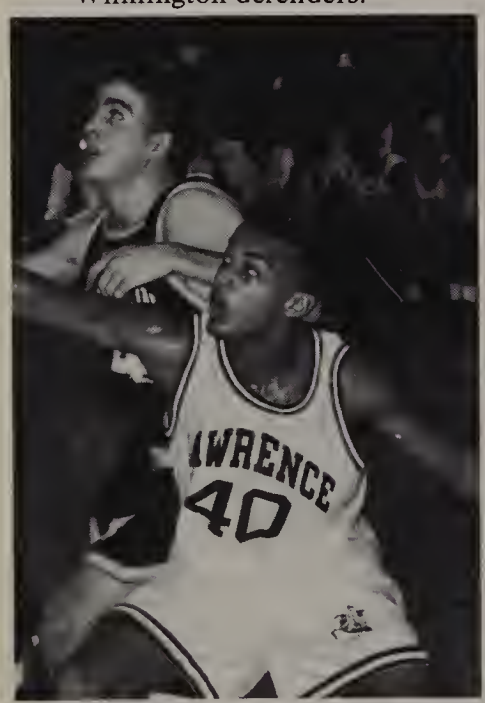
Ada, Damaris, Caroline, and Kristen catch their breath as they listen to the coaches instructions.

Damaris goes up for a layup with a defenders arms reaching up for a block.

BOYS

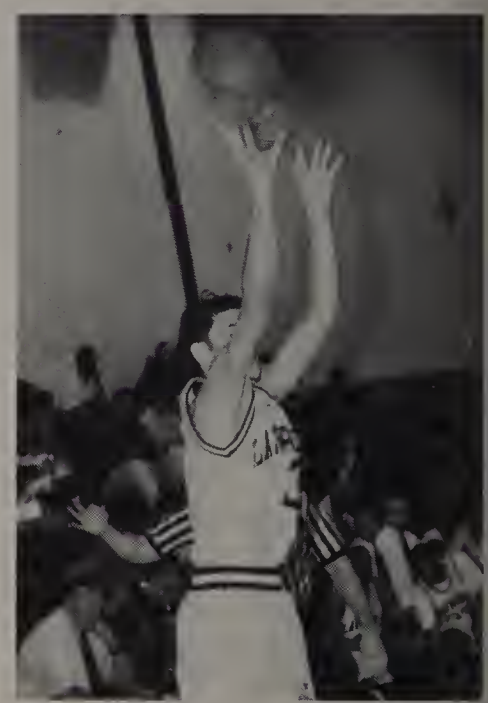
Luis and Steven get into position for the rebound against two Wilmington defenders.

Starter Nolasco Cortoreal is announced to the crowd as the cheerleaders celebrate.



Edwin "Rookie" Mercado boxes out for the rebound.

Manuel dives onto the floor for the ball with Eddie close behind.



Mike steps behind the line to shoot a three pointer.

The seniors: John Fuchu, Edwin Alvarez, Raphael Guzman, Luis Cruz, Nolasco Cortoreal, and Mikal Garcia pose for a picture.

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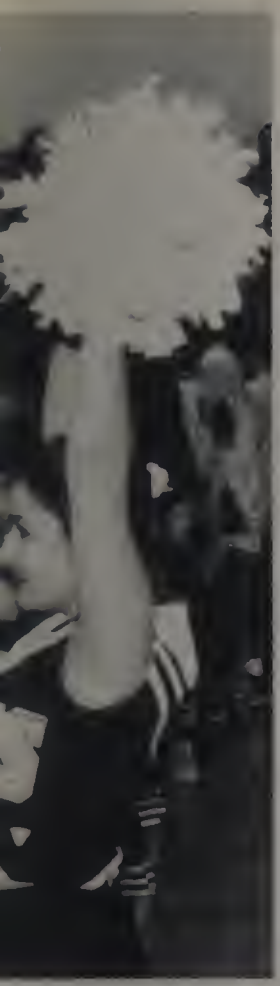
Coach Giribaldi barks out orders to the players on the court.

BASKETBALL



The Lawrence High School 1995-96 boys basketball team with coaches David Fabrizio, Dave Giribaldi, and the managers.

Manuel Nunez shoots one of his trademark three point shots from the corner.

Steven Arias puts the full court press on the ball at home against Wilmington.

Coach Giribaldi gives the team instructions during a timeout.

Mike Garcia takes the ball strong to the hole against two defenders.

Luis Cruz attempts to steal a pass in the backcourt.

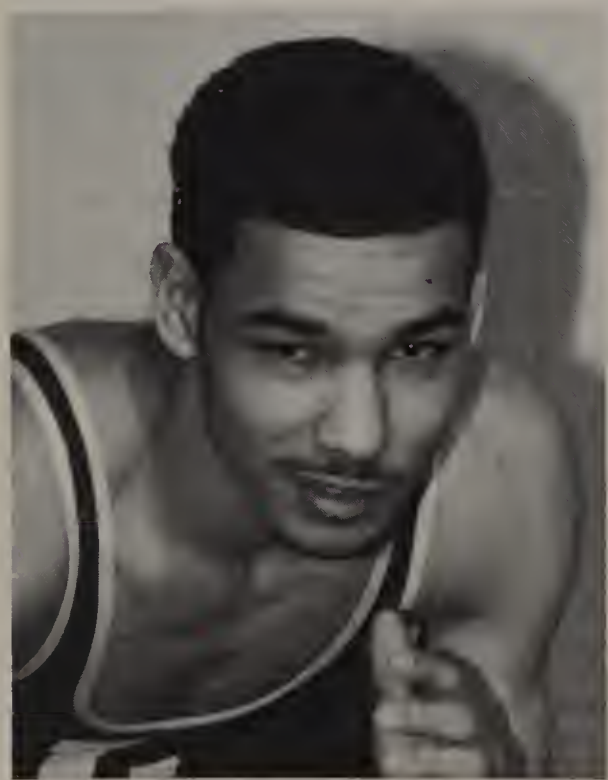
Ahead of the defense, Guzman passes the ball to a teammate underneath.

Ernesto Pena takes his opponent to the mat looking for another win.

Concentrate, and study your opponent before you make your move.

Amin Jimenez loosens up before he begins his match.

The 1995-96 Lawrence Boys Wrestling Team



Johnny Sanchez prepares to wrestle the photographer before his match.

At 103 pounds both wrestlers try to gain an edge while they remain off the mat.

Ernesto goes low on his opponent to take his legs out and bring him to the mat.

WRESTLING

Jose grabs his opponent by the shoulders attempting to turn him over for the pin.

Captains Amin Jimenez and Johnny Sanchez give each other encouragement before their matches.

Jeff limbers up before it is his turn on the mats.

Lawrence's senior wrestlers pose for the camera. 1st. row Jeffery Solomon, Amin Jimenez, Johnny Sanchez, Ernesto Pena, 2nd. row Jose Santiago, Jose Jimenez and Victor Guiterrez.

This wrestler takes the time to put his thoughts together before he goes after his opponent.

Amin uses his strength to keep from being dropped to the mat while turning his opponent.

CHEER

K.F.C. official fast food restaurant of the Lawrence cheerleaders.

Shakira represents the class of "96" at the pep rally.

Esmeralda preforms a cheer for the basketball team.

Janet encourages the class of 1996 to show all of their spirit at the football rally.

Captain Itzamarie Torres smiles for the camera at a fall football game.

The cheerleaders show their spirit before the homecoming game.

Miraima prepares to do a front flip before the fall sports rally.

The cheerleaders get together for a camera shot at summer camp.

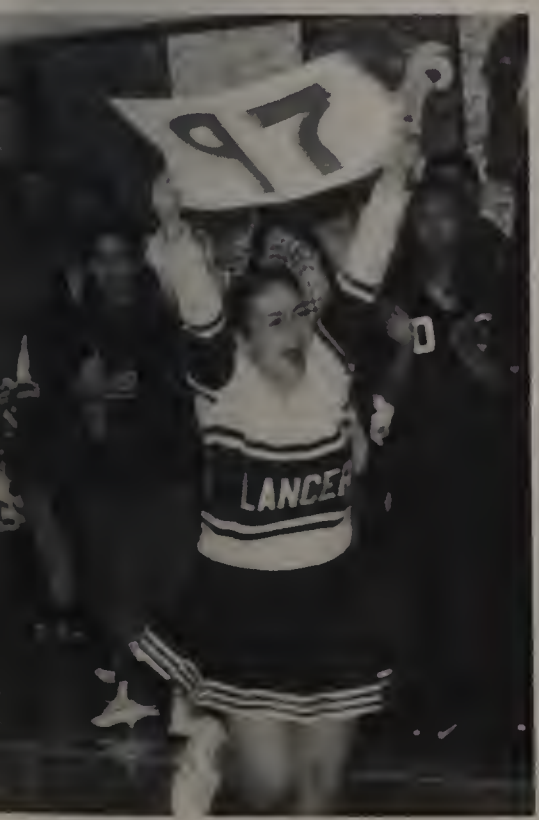
LEADING

Doc Rausch tapes up Christine Martinez before a game as the other cheerleaders wait their turn.

Ramona and Frances hold up Itza as she tries to balance and cheer.

The cheerleaders display one of the many signs they made for the football team during the season.

Jen leads a cheer while Ramona follows in the background.



Nora Carroll and Jen Bardsley lead off the pep rally.

The 1995-96 basketball cheerleading squad poses for a picture before a game.

There goes Kent, higher and higher

Asael is alone heading for the finish!

Corey edges ahead in the relay

BOYS TRACK

Shotput is a walk in the park for Damian

What's my time, coach?

Child's play! I can do this with my eyes closed

HA HA HA HA!!

Reach Stretch Reach

Keep it up!

Use your arms!!

Wow, he's tall!

I made it!!!

James clears the hurdles with ease

Feel the power!!

GIRLS TRACK

I CAN do this!

Hey dude! Thumbs up!

Breath, baby, breath!

IIAAUUGRHHHH!

Yes I'm over the finish line!

Almost there!

Going Strong!

This is heavier than I thought!

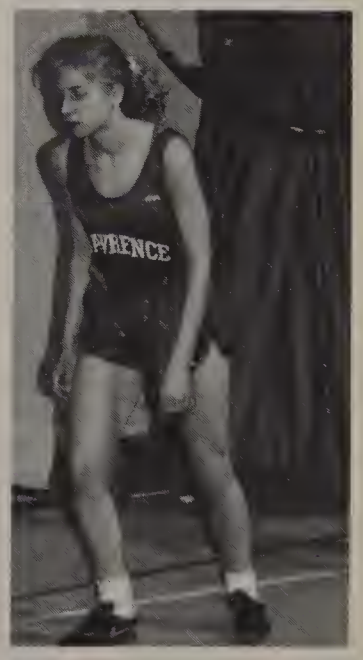
Don't mess with me!

Wait! I'm not ready!

How close am I to the end??

Shot-put coach, Mr. S.

Open your mouth and BREATH!



Is it too late to change my mind??

Heeaave ho!!

Almost there!!

Steady Pace.

ATHLETES

Football

Ramon Alcantara
Edwin Alverez
Steven Annaldo
Escipion Baez
Daniel Blouin
Dione Burgos
Luis Burgos
Jason Cabrera
Elvis Campos
Dario Collado
Benjamin Colon
Nolasco Cortorreal
Jose Cruz
Luis Cruz
Carlos Domingueaz
Ramon Guillermo
Victor Gutierrez
Rafael Guzman
Noel Hernandez
Michael Isola
Amin Jimenez
Gabriel Lopez
Jose Melendez
Edwin Mercado
Brian Mohika
Pedro Pena
Robert Pina
Mario Polanco
Ramon Quesada
Jose Santiago
Jeffery Solomon
Abel Sostre
Steven Velez

Volleyball

Damaris Damien
Racquel Inoa
Ada Colon
Samika Hawkins
Lya Cabrerra
Yohairy Sanchez
Naomi Tuffour
Esmeralda Jerez
Jen Bentley
Yvonne Flete
Josie Rivera
Shirley German

Cross Country (Girls & Boys)

Evelyn Delacruz
Lisa Gaudet
Duyen Lulong
Gloria Medero
Tishana Norman
Isabel Ramos
Aida Santana
Barney Abramson
Nelson Baez
Gustavo Blanco
Joel DisLa
Eric Garcia
Nick Garcia
Richard Garcia
Angel Jimenez
Jose Naveo
Angel Pabon
Euchedes Pichardo
Rodney Rivera
Kllvio Tejada

Indoor Track (boys)

Barney Abrahmson
Cespades Asael
Corey Christie
Jose Cruz
Jose DeLeon
Elias Gusman Munoz
Leo Lam
Kent Lawson
James Lawson
Luis Lopez
Jose Naveo
Angel Pabon
Robert Pina
Ramon Quezada
Justo Jesus Rivera
Esdvas Sabino
Karbin Sanchez
Michael Sicard
Abel Sostre
Kilvio Tejada
Damien Waugh

Basketball (girls)

Ada Colon
Shirley German
Amanda Hinchcliffe
Caroline Lahey
Luz Reyes
Kristen Sicard
Namoi Tuffour
Alvarado Zahonnara

Cheerleading

Jennifer Bardsley
Michelle Berube
Wendy Crocker
Yomaira Diaz
Shakira Fuchu
Esmeralda Jerez
Olien Lu
Christine Martinez
Janet Nunez
Jennifer Nunez
Rosa Perez
Vanita Pettaway
Frances Suarez
Itzamarie Torres
Jessica Torres
Moraima Velez

Cheerleading

Jennifer Bardsley
Nora Carroll
Yomaira Diaz
Shani Diggs
Shakira Fuchu
Olien Lu
Barbara Marquez
Christine Martinez
Janet Nunez
Jennifer Nunez
Ramona Penalo
Rosa Perez
Francis Suarez
Mariel Tejada
Itzamarie Torres
Moraima Velez

Basketball (boys)

Edward Allen
Esteban Arias
Luis Cruz
Nolasco Cortorreal
John Fuchu
Micheal Garcia
Carlos Lopez
Edwin Mercado
Manuel Nunez
Clinston Paulino
Juan Sanchez

Wrestling

Steve Annaldo
Misael Castrello
Benjamin Garcia
Victor Gutierrez
Amin Jimenez
Angel Jimenez
Luis Ortiz
Ernesto Pena
Pedro Pena
Johnny Sanchez
Jeffrey Solomon
Mike Solomon
Nestor Valentin
Sean Valentin

Field Hockey

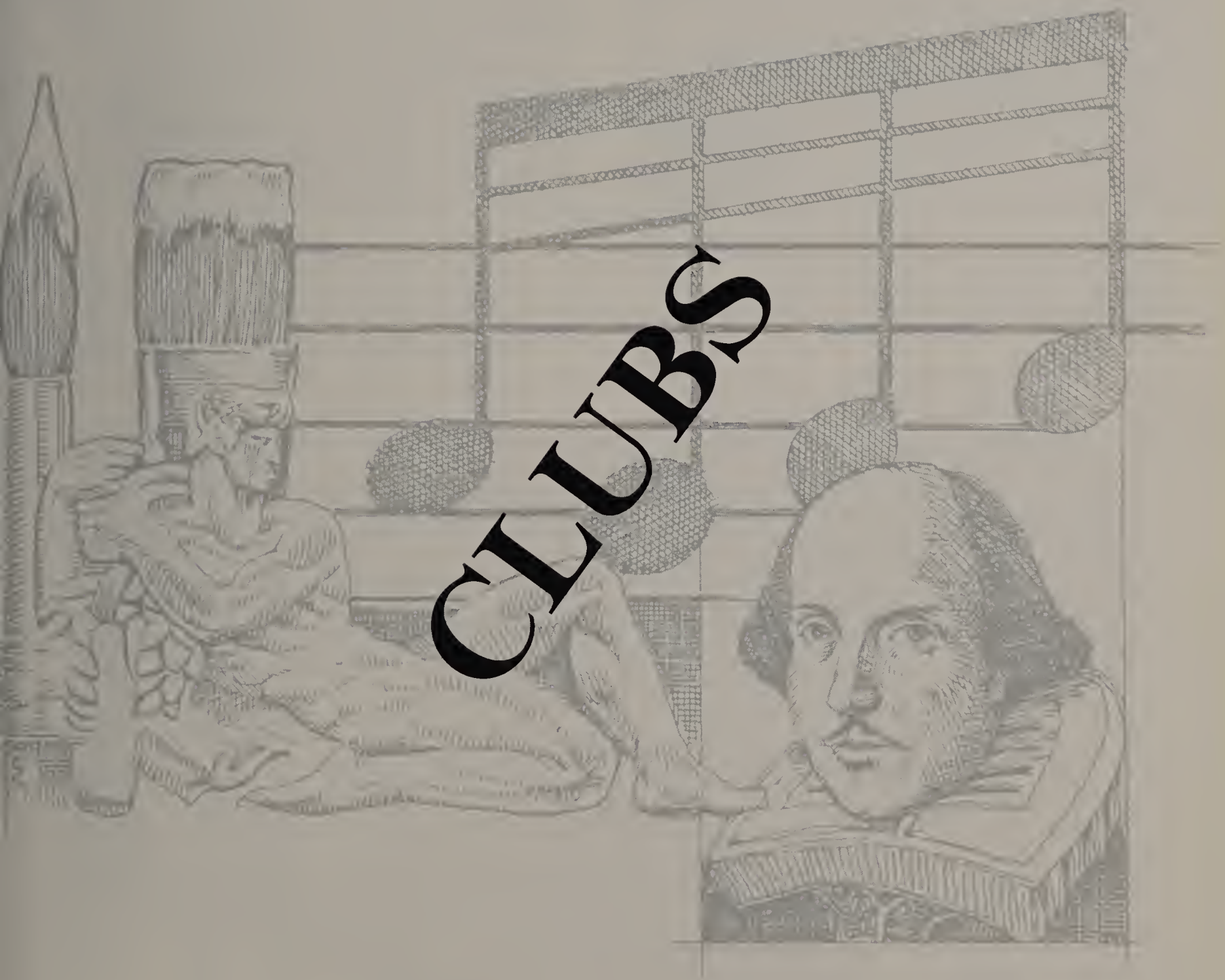
Jaclyn Cascio
Michele Cherabie
Wendy Crocker
Jessica Gardner
Sarah Hamel
Amanda Hinchcliffe
Emily Hoang
Caroline Lahey
Kimberely McGrath
Rebecca Melnick
Maria Perez
Kristin Sicard
Danielle Tirone
Mary VanDerVeer
Rose Velazquez
Pamela Wall

Swimming

Lisa Cincorra
Johanna Gonzalez
Elizabeth Lavasta
Patrang Lembert
Myhozotys Leon
Jessica Mc Gibbon
Holly Peterson
Snow Peterson
Michelle Potvin
Ida Rivera
Iraida Rivera
Claudia Ruiz
Jackie Rodriquel
Monica Valderama

Indoor Track (girls)

Najwah Azzi
Nora Carroll
Onil Cespedes
Christine Downs
Crystal Duquette
Yahaira Guzman
Amarilys Helleis
Emily (Hoa) Hoang
Tan Hua
Duyen Thein Luong
Barbara Marquez
Tishana Norman
Noemi Perez
Mariel Tejada



CLUBS

CLAP

1st: Willie Guzman, Mai Le, Corey Christie 2nd: Kent Lawson, Lya Cabrerra, Damion Waugh, Tom Casey 3rd: James Lawson, My Nguyen, Bisi Obasa 4th: Eddie Allen

Community Leadership Action Project is run by Tufts University Filene Center. This community project consists of a group of students from LHS who award $5,000 mini grants to community groups. Each year a couple of schools from all parts of Massachusetts come together for a retreat at Tufts University to share how each school has progress.

SADD

1st row: Gustavo Blanco, Efijenia Vasquez, Virgin Gomez 2nd row: Kenya Concepcion, Nidia Gonzalez, Alexandra Urena, Tom Casey

SADD — Students Against Drunk Driving is open to any student who has a sincere commitment to work with an influential group to help keep drunk drivers off the road.

United Cultures

1st row: Vanita Pettaway, Lemary Polanco, James Lawson 2nd row: Mercedes Molina, Eddie Allen, Damion Waugh, Kent Lawson, Corey Christie, Shani Ferdinand 3rd row: Elaine Campos, Rosaline Summers, Itza Marie Torres, Nydia Gonzalez, Jennifer Castillo, Marielyn Lopez, Frances Suarez, Willie Guzman, Adam Allen, David Guillermo 4th row: Ebony Johnson, Rebecca Riviera, Rita Balock, Candi Peguero, Ivan Yambo, Adrian Twine 5th row: James Simms, Thomas Grullant, Marylussa Moise, Bisi Obasa, Francia Coplin, Lya Cabrerra, Stephani Ward, Jacques Moise

United Cultures is a group that has been formed from the initial group "Black Unity." It has expanded to a diverse group, which has improven the knowledge of other cultures. This organization is in its starting point and looks very promising.

Freshmen Student Council

1st row: J. Infante, S. Espinosa, I. Rivera 2nd row: J. Melendez, B. Tes, D.G. Parthum (advisor), 3rd row: H. Pena, S. Kang, J. McGibbon

The Student Council for the Class of 1999 started of with a heart-warming Walkathon for Abused Children. This fundraiser helps both abused children and our class. The council also sponsored a candy sale and they encourage the freshman to wear blue and white every Friday. We, the freshman class, believe that we can lead our class to a successful and fun future at Lawrence High School. We hope our first year here will be very memorable.

GLEC

1st row: Tom Casey, Esmeralda Jerez, Hector Perez, Ada Colon 2nd row: Libnan Ramy, Marielyn Lopez, Tim Kowalewski 3rd row: Asael Cespedes, Michelle Garcia, Kent Lawson

Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative is a student leadership group with members from six other high schools. We meet twice a month at Lawrence High to discuss important issues and plan events. Every year comes to an end with the annual GLEC conference for high school students.

D.E.C.A.

Appearing in the picture are: W. Guzman, R. Perez, E. Alvarez, K. Morales, G. Lopez, J. Maria, R. Guillermo, R. Guzman, F. Suarez, M. Garcia, C. Christie, E. Jerez, R. Penalo, S. Fuchu, K. Perez, J. Lawson, M. Moise, O. Lu, R. Melnick, J. Moise, I. Torres, G. LeBron, J. Duran, S. Ferdinand, B. Ramos, C. Peguero, A. Gil, C. Mejia, T. Casey, H. Lopez, K. DeCastro, T. Sweder, C. Nunez, S. Hamel, R. Velasquez, E. Campos, R. Guillermo, M. Perez, J. Gardner, M. Cherabie, P. Wall, M. Solomon, L. Ramy, N. Carroll, C. Lahey, K. Sicard, I. Rivera, E. Delgado, K. McGrath, K. Becotte-Kennedy, G. Medero, K. Martis

DECA is a national organization for all high school students enrolled in a marketing program. It is the only student organization which prepares its members to be America's future leaders in the fields of marketing, management, and entrepreneurship. DECA operates through local marketing education programs and gives students the opportunity to compete with other members from across the country in various categories such as advertising, retail management, restaurant management, hospitality, and tourism. These competitions take place at district, state, and national conferences through the course of the school year. In DECA four main points are emphasized: leadership development, civic consciousness, social intelligence, and vocational understanding. Another advantage for DECA members is the marketing background they develop, both in classroom and in DECA. This greatly enhances their career opportunities in the future.

The Senior Class Officers and Student Council Members have worked extremely hard to make the 1995-1996 school year a very special one for the entire class. Knowing that this was their last year at LHS The senior class officers and student council members willingly took on the task to lead the school with a positive outlook. The year started well with a "Welcome Freshmen Dance." The officers and student council members put great efforts into planning the rest of the year. Some of the class of 1996's most memorable events included Spirit week, the senior and junior prom, senior week and the highlight of the year is the class trip to Walt Disney World in Florida.

Senior Student Council

1st: Karen Dustin (advisor), Rebecca Melnick, Corey Christie, Jennifer Castillo, Mai Le 2nd: Zoraida Barrio, Nidia Gonzalez, Alissar Hyder, Kristofer Decker, 3rd: Tom Casey, Frances Suarez, Olien Lu, Esmeralda Jerez

Junior Student Council

1st: Gina Ortiz, Claudia Ruiz, Sarah Hamel, Luis Soares 2nd; Emily Hoang, Kent Lawson, Elizabeth Ruiz, Ivan Yambo 3rd: Yahairy Sanchez

Sophomore Student Council

1st row: Sabrina Santiago, Danielle Tirone 2nd row: Najwah Azzi, Zassha Luces, Wanda Morel 3rd row: Amanda Schneider, Yvonne Acevedo

For our second year at Lawrence High we are planning many activities. Such activities are having a hay ride, Sophomore Banquet, and may be even the beach. This year will be the best for everyone!

National Honor Society

1st: Jaclyn Cascio, Mai Le, Wendy Crocker, Rebecca Melnick, Hoa Le 2nd: Jessica Torres, Tom Casey, My Nguyen 3rd: Dang Khoa Trinh, Michelle Potvin, Kristofer Decker

National Honor Society is a National Organization that recognizes students who have demonstrated high academic standing, strong leadership skills, good character and service to school and/or community. An induction ceremony for qualified LHS seniors and juniors takes place each spring.

Yearbook

1st: Tom Casey, Olien Lu, Wendy Crocker, My Nguyen 2nd: Zoraida Barrio, Pamela Wall, Rebecca Melnick 3rd: Alexandra Urena, Kenya Concepcion, Mai Le

Yearbook — The yearbook, "The Blue and White", of each graduating class is distributed on Class Day and a supplement is published the following fall. Interested students should contact the Yearbook Advisor.

L-pin

1st row: Thanh Trinh, Yasnania, Cabral, Wendy Crocker, Hoa Le, Jaclyn Cascio 2nd row: Alexandra Urena, My Nguyen, Rebecca Melnick, Kristofer Decker 3rd row: Escipion Baez, Hung Le, Jose Pichardo, Tom Casey, Mai Le

Any junior or senior who has attended Lawrence High School for two consecutive years, including the year of the award and who has a quality point average of 27.5000, shall be awarded the "L" Pin for scholastic excellence.

Outstanding bilingual students who have achieved no grade below B- in bilingual courses and who have also achieved the standards necessary for an "L" Pin in the regular school program will be recommended by teachers and the guidance department to the school administration for consideration as an "L" Pin recipient. The mainstreaming process for these students should also reflect outstanding academic ability.

Peer Leadership is a program of committed, dedicated and very talented students. They educate and care about each other. They take great pride in who they are.

Peer Leadership III

1st row: Rebecca Melnick, Mario Polanco, Mai Le, Liz Hjeltness (advisor) 2nd: Willie Guzman, My Nguyen, Juan Baez

Peer Leadership II

1st row: Jose Cruz, Gina Ortiz, Ly Ngo, Jessica Gardner, Maria Perez, Yasnania Cabral, Michelle Cherabie, Juan Ovalles, Liz Hjeltness (advisor) 2nd row: Rebecca Brown, Jessica Torres, Gustavo Blanco, Joanna Maria, 3rd row: Leo Diaz, Kimberly McGrath, Kristen Becotte-Kennedy, Noel Hernandez, Joel Taveras

Peer Leadership I

1st: Eddie Allen, Chrisnery De LaCruz, Luis Soares, Michelle McLaughlin, Liz Hjeltness (advisor) 2nd: Tae Kang, Jessica Majica, Mary Vanderveer, Cynthia Garcia 3rd: Alicia Gil, Yohairy Sanchez, Max Tejada, Jonathan Valdez

TV Production

1st row: Simon Garcia, Esmeralda Jerez, Raphael Guzman, Alexandra Peralta, Gregorio Padilla, Michelle Blanchette 2nd row: Sandy Gabin, Martha Hernandez, Hector Perez, Rosaura De LaCruz, Willie Guzman, Luis Fernandez 3rd row: Daniel Toribio, Carlos Pena, Michael Garcia, Kristofer Decker, Damion Waugh

Lawrence High School Television Production produced the weekly news INSIDE LHS, news by, for, and about the students of LHS. The weekly show LANCER SPORTS TALK with Gera, Fab and Ron presented the best in Lancer Athletics. A new studio was constructed this year to enhance the quality of production at the High School.

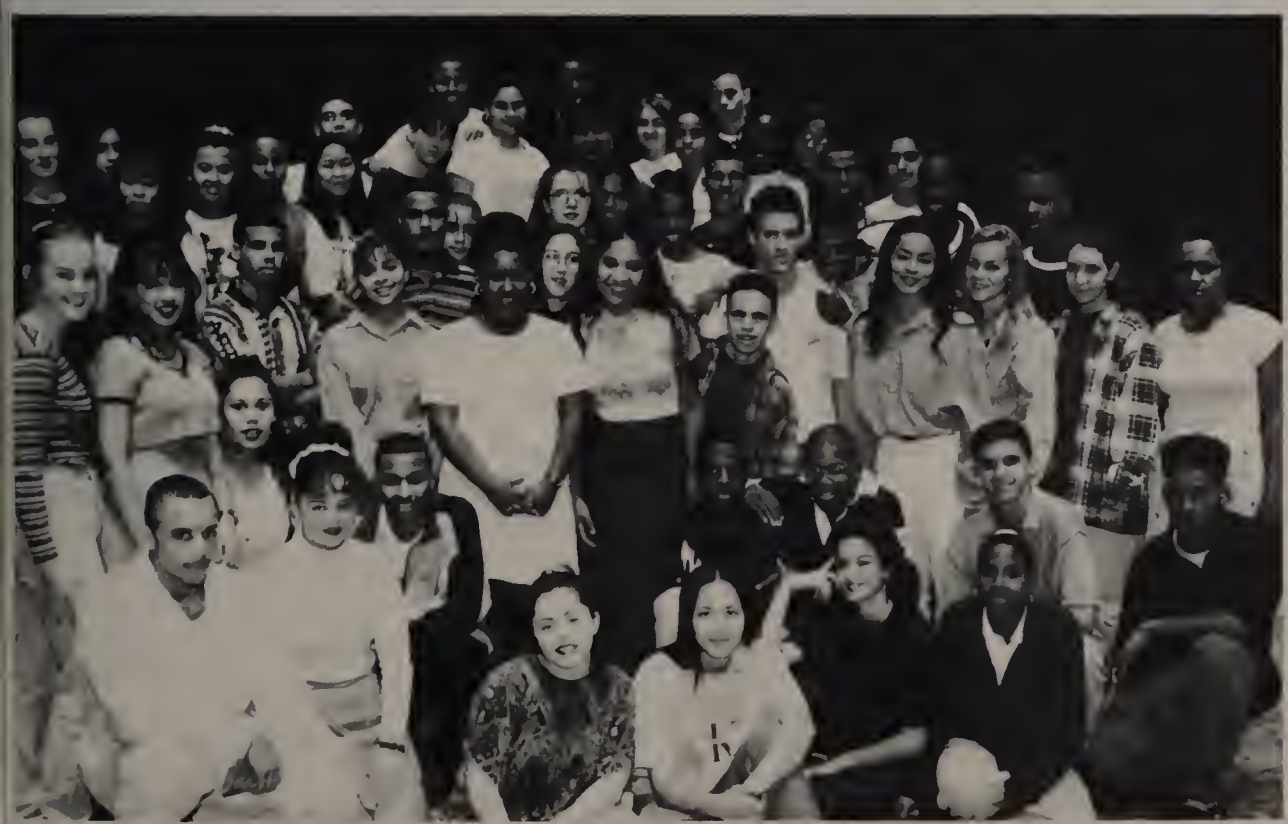
Inside LHS

1st row: Willie Guzman, Esmeralda Jerez, Kristofer Decker.

Inside LHS is a weekly news program shown in Lawrence High during lunch homeroom periods on Fridays. It is aired throughout the city over the weekend on Channel 48.

Over the past two and a half years, Esmeralda Jerez, Kris Decker, and Maria Gil have been the anchors for Inside LHS. There have also been many special field reporters. Inside LHS's main purpose has been to tell LHS students about events and activities that are unfolding around them that they may not have been aware of.

All of the stories that are read on Inside LHS have been written by Ms. Mary-Jane Kowalski's T.V. Production class.



Mediation

1st row: Noel Hernandez, Sandra Silva, Jonathan Valdez, Yaneris Rosario, Mai Le, Itzamarie Torres, Shani Ferdinand, Luis Soares, David Guillermo 2nd row: Nora Carrol, Katherine Castro, Yolanda Perez, Jose Naveo, Elaine Campos, Mindy Leal, Jennifer Castilo, Vincente Herrara, My Nguyen, Rebecca Melnick, Michelle Potvin, Virgen Gomez 3rd row: Kristen Sicard, Emily Hoang, Thita Pen, Arlene Majia, Ly Ngo, Edwin Villafana, Gina Ortiz, Rebecca Brown, Socheath Tes, Francia Coplin, Tom Casey, Kent Lawson, Eddie Allen, Damion Waugh, 4th row: Leo Diaz, Yahairy Sanchez, Debbie Cruz, Jennifer Bardsley, Nydia Gonzalez, Bisi Obasa, Lya Cabrera, Willie Guzman

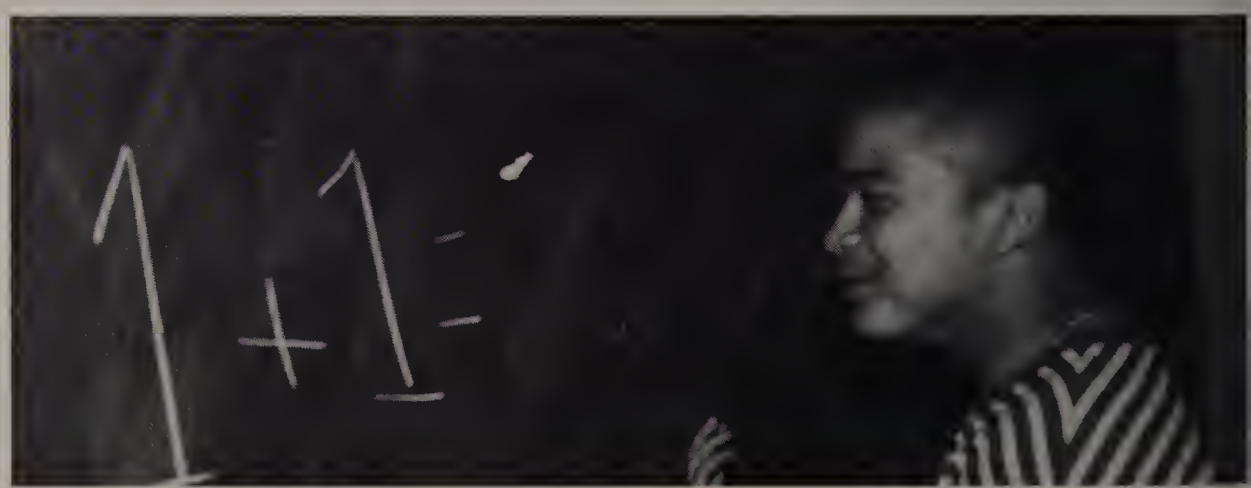
The Mediation Team consists of 64 students that help LHS students resolve conflicts in a private, non-judgemental setting during the school day.

Last chance to smile for the camera, your seniors now.

Cheek to cheek, that's what friendships all about.

It's nice to have the books, but you have to open them to learn.

Juan's always trying to get in the middle of the girls pictures.



Guzman's not just a good athlete, but he's also a good sport.

Marielen and Hector, a relationship the way it should always be.

The football captain with a few members of his adoring public.

SUPERLATIVES

MOST TALENTED

Corey Christie, the most talented male in the Class of 1996, can be found spending his time making rhymes for his poems and raps, creating art, or playing basketball in a local gym. While **Rebecca Melnick,** the most talented female in the Class of 1996, is class president, a field hockey star, and she possesses one of Lawrence High Schools most beautiful voices.

MOST SPIRITED

The most spirited male in the Class of 1996 is **Willie Guzman.** He is a member of the Army Reserve, and when he isn't running, cross-country or track, he's either at a sporting event or participating in class activities. **Itzamarie Torres,** the cheerleading captain in and out of her uniform, is the most spirited female in the Class of 1996.

NICEST SMILE

Christine Martinez, the female with the nicest smile in the Class of 1996, shows off her pearly whites at all of the basketball and football games as a cheerleader. **Juan Jimenez,** the nicest smiling male, uses his toothed grin to sell shoes at footaction in the Methuen Mall or to play his part as chef Lu Lu Fondue in the class play.

MOST AMBITIOUS

The most ambitious female in the Class of 1996 is **Wendy Crocker.** She is a cheerleading captain and all-star field hockey goalie, Wendy would like to attend Dartmouth College and one day become a lawyer. **Thomas Casey,** the most ambitious male, is the editor of the yearbook and an avid community service volunteer. He would like to attend Wake Forest University and major in business.

CLASS COUPLE

Joanna Maria and **Gabriel Lopez** are the Class Couple for 1996. Joanna is a member of the senior class play, while Gabriel is a defensive back for the football team. The rest of their time they try to reserve for each other.

MOST ATHLETIC

Amanda Hinchcliffe is pictured here in place of **Ada Colon.** Ada is an all-star volleyball, basketball, and softball player who is also a standout in the classroom. The most athletic male in the Class of 1996 is **Raphael Guzman.** Ralphie was a 1,000+ yard rusher for the football team and a guard on the Lancer basketball team. He and Ada have played sports on the varsity level since their freshman year.

CLASS CHATTERBOX

Michelle Cherabie is the female chatterbox in the class of 1996. She is a member of the class play and a varsity field hockey player. Don't try to call her at home because she's already on the phone. The most talkative male is **Christian Delgado,** he came to Lawrence High just last year but he has quickly mastered the English Language. He was also a member of the Urban Studies Institute at Phillip's Academy last year.

CLASS CLOWNS

Jocelyn Chammoro is pictured here in place of **Erica Borero,** the class of 96's biggest female clown. If Erica isn't clowning around in the hallways or class you might find her exploring her artistic side in the L.H.S. art room. The class of 96's male clown is **Nestor Quirindongo.** When he isn't telling jokes and clowning around, he's probably dancing to whatever beat he can find.

CLASS FLIRTS

Brian Mohika was too busy flirting to take this picture so Edwin Alvarez is here in his place. Brian, if he isn't busy with the girls, might be found with his 6'3" frame on the basketball court or football fields of Lawrence. The most flirty female in the Class of 1996 is **Rosemary Velasquez.** She finds time to be a varsity field hockey player and two time D.E.C.A. state finalist while still playing her role as the class flirt.

FRIENDLIST SENIORS

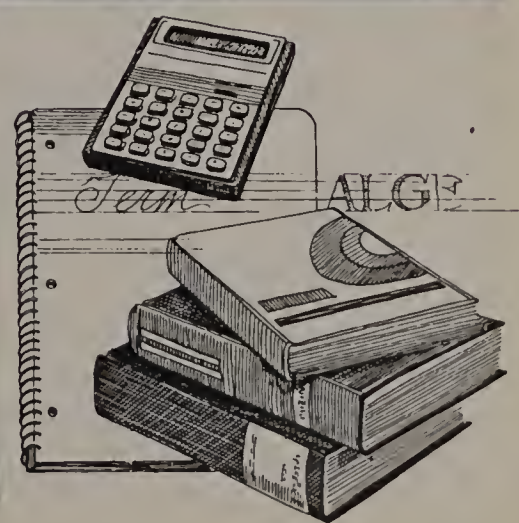
The friendliest male in the Class of 1996 is **Jose Pichardo.** Jose is an active member of the class of 1996 and used his position as everybody's friend to win his superlative title. While **Zoraida Barrio,** a varsity volleyball player and homecoming queen, is the friendliest female in the Class of 1996.

BEST FRIENDS

Gabriel Lebron and **Hector Clarke** are the best friends in the Class of 1996. Hector is also a D.J. if you want to throw a party, and Gabriel is a D.E.C.A. finance and credit specialist if you ever need help with your taxes. They've been best friends for as long as anyone can remember.

MOST POPULAR TEACHERS

Mr. Brylzck and **Mrs. Fowler** are Lawrence High School's most popular teachers in 1996. Mr. Brylzck has amassed his popularity as a business teacher, and he is a C.P.A. Mrs. Fowler is a math teacher in her fourth year here at Lawrence High School, and she is the advisor for the United Cultures group.



Jenni and Shani, most computer literate in the library

Most inquisitive look that book ever received

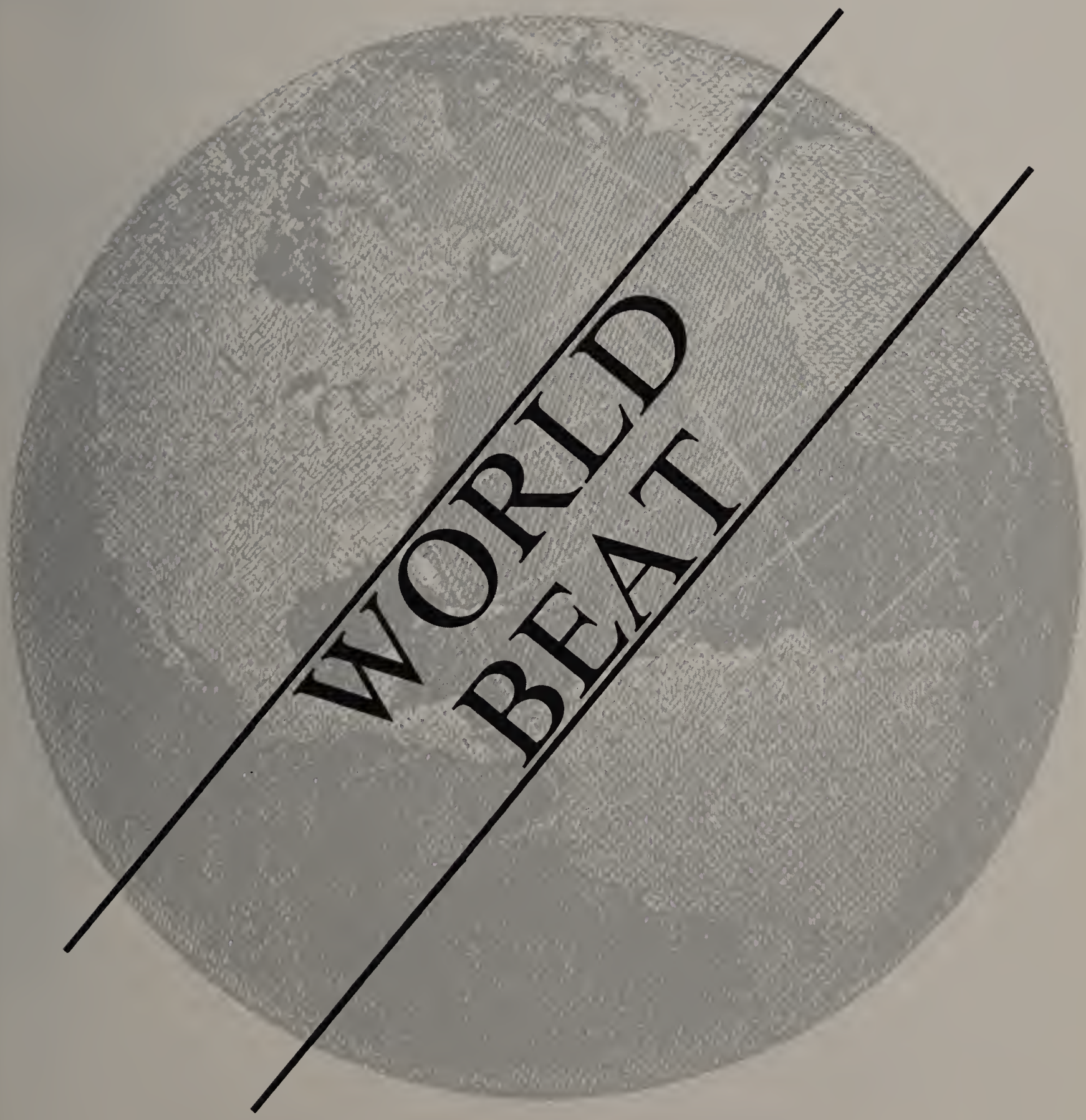
Faithful Football Fans

Helpfulest teacher in this social studies class

Class of 96's best dressed in the cafeteria

Nicest artist with a smile

Number one science experimentors


WORLD
BEAT

Contest tests nerves, voices

◆ Lawrence and Masconomet won medals at a state choir competition held at Lawrence High yesterday.

By Noel Cody
Eagle-Tribune Correspondent

The auditorium was musty and tension in the air forced students to sit rigid in their seats, their mouths dry with the sense of competition.

This was not a championship sporting event but the Massachusetts Choral Directors Association State Choral Festival at Lawrence High yesterday. A nation-wide organization, the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) sponsors the competition, where members from all over the state bring their choirs to participate.

Lawrence High chorus director Paul Beninato has taken his choirs to the competition for the past six years. Knowing the board enjoys having a different host school every year, he approached them with the idea of Lawrence.

"They liked it. When I told my kids that we would possibly host they were very excited," he said.

Lawrence High mixed chorus member Rebecca Brown, 15, said she would gladly do it again next year.

"I loved hosting the competition," she said.

They will sing for the Pope

Judy Emmert/*Eagle-Tribune*

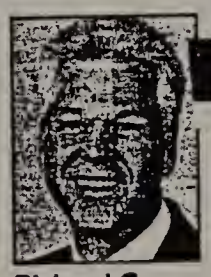
Members of the Lawrence High School Girls Ensemble share their joy at learning they will travel to Italy. From left are Jessica Torres, Pam Wall, Rebecca Melnick and Esmeralda Jerez, all 17.

Track coach will be missed

To the Editor:

This is an open letter to Richard C. Parthum, Lawrence High track coach and friend:

I wish you well in whatever the future has in store for you. No one could ever replace you. No one could ever care as much or be a more devoted coach than you. I don't know anyone else who would buy a van to drive home practically a whole team after practices and meets.



Richard C. Parthum

Practices will not be the same without you there to push us as hard as we can go. No one ever had more faith in the students to do their best. I feel sorry for the new students who won't have the chance to run for you.

From the bottom of my heart, I can truly say that the track team is suffering a great loss and will never be the same without you. I want to thank you for all the times you pushed me when I thought I couldn't go anymore. This next season's for you.

PAMELA WALL
Lawrence

Performance of a Lifetime

Lawrence girls choir to sing at St. Peter's, see Pontiff

By Al Lara
Eagle-Tribune Writer

LAWRENCE — Lawrence High School Girls Ensemble choir sat on the edges of their seats waiting for Supervisor of Music Paul Beninato to tell them the good news.

"The School Committee met last night," he said, "and they approved a trip for us to perform at Six Flags in New Jersey."

The squeals of "Yes!" and rounds of celebratory high fives were not what he was expecting: He was joking.

But the girls were no less excited when he told them where they were really going: Italy, to have an audience with Pope John Paul II and perform at St. Peter's Basilica.

Jaws dropped and girls bolted from their seats to Mr. Beninato's office to phone their parents with the news.

"Oh wow, I get to meet the Pope?" said a stunned Pam Wall, 17.

"I told my mom, and she said, 'That's good, that's good! Now we have to get you a passport,' " said Esmeralda Jerez, 17.

The 15 members of the all-girl choir will visit Rome, Venice, Florence and Assisi from

Please see **SING,** *Page 5*

EAGLE-TRIBUNE FALL SPORT ALL-STAR

Field Hockey

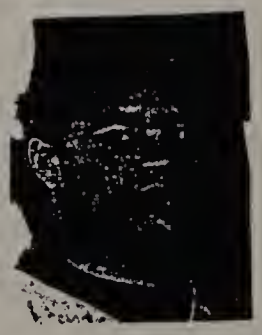
WENDY CROCKER
Lawrence Senior
Goalie

The Merrimack Valley Conference co-MVP. Named to the "Best 60" team. Three-year starter. MVC all-star as a junior. Posted 11 shutouts with 108 saves and a 0.375 goals against average. Started 50 straight games with 31 career shutouts. Ranked 3rd in class. Interested in attending Dartmouth.

JACLYN CASCIO
Lawrence Senior
Link

An all-conference choice. Three-year starter. Scored three goals. Powerful drives with great touch. Superb dodging skills. A fine student. Ranked No. 10 in her class. An Eagle-Tribune All-Star softball pitcher. Interested in Stonehill College and Bryant College.

Football M.V.P.



Rafael Guzman, Lawrence, Football Offensive MVP — Lawrence coaches knew four years ago that Rafael Guzman could be a special player.

He was even starting as a defensive back before suffering a season-ending injury.

Guzman was good enough to be named an Eagle-Tribune All-Star last year. This year, he picked it up a notch, rushing for almost 1,300 yards, one of the highest totals in school history.

Volleyball

ADA CCLON
Lawrence Senior
Setter/Hitter

An all-Merrimack Valley Conference selection. Lawrence's heart and soul. Team's lone returning starter. Led Lancers to several late-season upsets. A terrific defensive player. Excelled at every position. Averaged team-high 13.2 points for basketball team. One of the best all-around athletes in the region.

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world beat™

world news

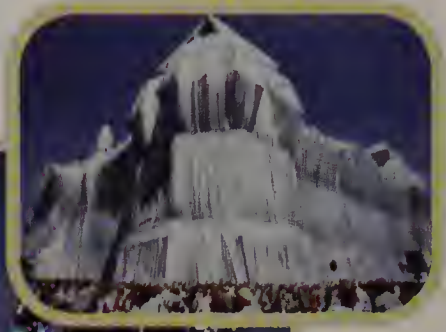
G. Korganow, Gamma/Liaison

French transportation workers strike against their government throughout the month of December, shutting down the airlines and the metro system, after France increases the retirement age from 50 to 55 and lengthens the work week from 37 to 39 hours in efforts to cut spending.

AP/Wide World

Reuters/Archive Photo

Pope John Paul II visits New Jersey, New York and Maryland, and addresses the United Nations. He speaks out on social, economic, political and moral themes.



Wrap artist Christo creates "Wrapped Reichstag" for the city of Berlin by covering the former home of the German parliament with one million square feet of silver fabric in June.

In late May, a doctor performs emergency surgery aboard British Airways flight 32 using a coat hanger, a knife and fork, and a scissors sterilized in brandy to save a woman whose life is threatened by a collapsed lung.

Heads of many of the 186 member nations gather in New York to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United Nations in October.

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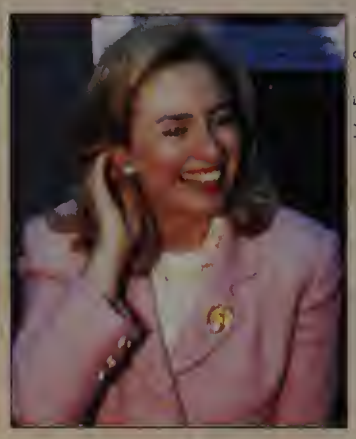
Philippe Giraud, Sygma

Tahitian protests escalate into riots after France detonates a nuclear test device 750 miles from the South Pacific island. France's September resumption of tests after a three-year moratorium brings global condemnation.



John Ficara, Sygma

In a powerful address to the U.N.'s Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China, attended by 30,000 women from 180 countries, U.S. First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton declares, "Women's rights are human rights," to a desk-thumping, applauding audience.

Dan Dean, Gamma/Liaison

Shock waves hit the Middle East when Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is shot and killed while leaving a peace rally in Tel Aviv November 4. His murderer, Jewish extremist Yigal Amir, fanatically opposes peace negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

AP/Wide World

Marxist Cuban President Fidel Castro abandons his Havana cigar and military fatigues for a suit and tie on a diplomatic visit to New York in October, where he tries to convince the U.S. to lift its 33-year-old trade embargo on still-communist Cuba.

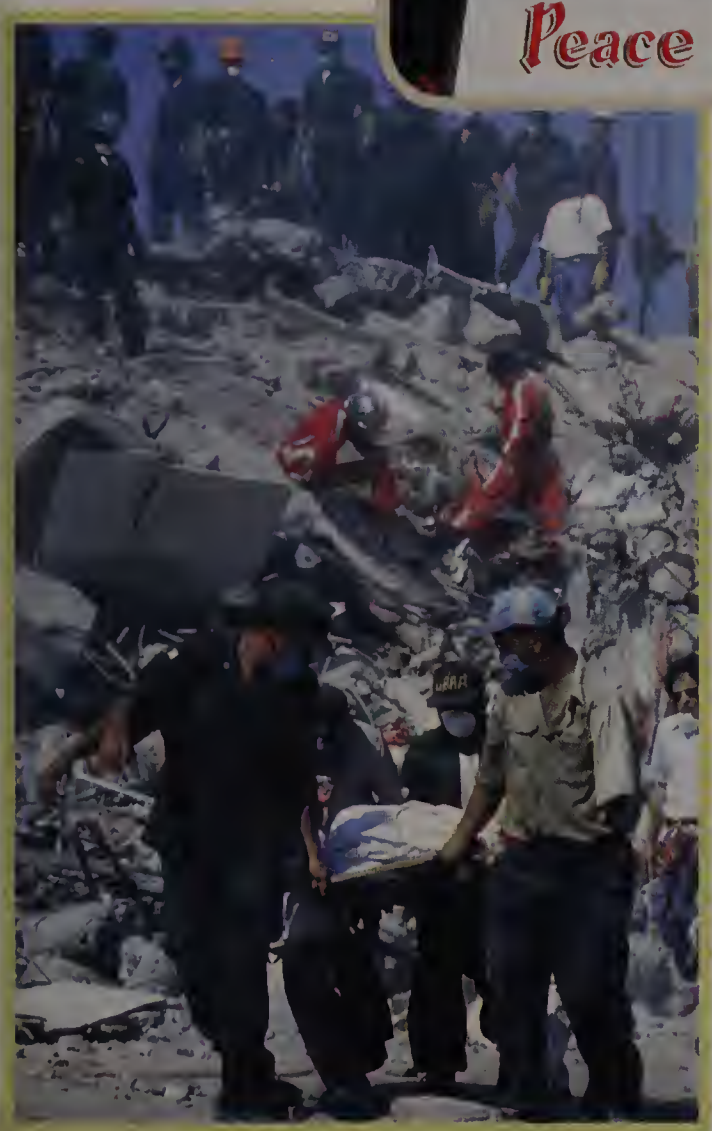
JIJI Press/AFP from Bettmann

Madman Shoko Asahara, leader of the Japanese apocalyptic religious cult, Aum Shinrikyo, is arrested on May 16 and charged with the Tokyo subway nerve-gas attack that left 12 people dead and injured 5,500 more in March.

Fifty years after the end of World War II, Japan remembers those killed by the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima. A solitary building left standing after the blast, now a memorial called the Atomic Bomb Dome, symbolizes the horrors of war and the price of peace.

flash

An earthquake kills 51 people on the resort-studded Pacific coast of Mexico. The quake measures 7.5 on the Richter scale and is felt 330 miles away in Mexico City.



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J. Ficara, Sygma

The first U.S. president to visit Northern Ireland, President Clinton receives a warm Christmas welcome for his show of support for peace between Irish Protestants and Catholics.

Hurricane Marilyn inflicts millions of dollars of damage in the Virgin Islands in September. Winds up to 127 miles per hour severely damage half the homes on St. Thomas.

G. Williams, Gamma/Liaison

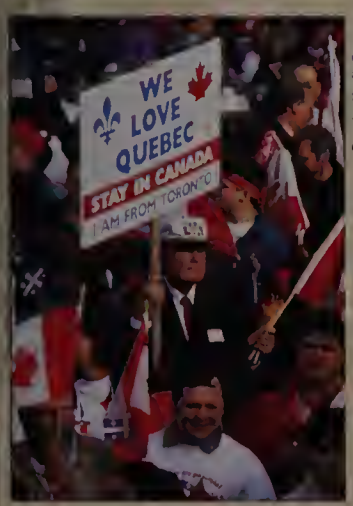
AP/Wide World

Hope blooms for peace in Bosnia when Bosnia's President Izetbegovic (left) shakes hands with Serbia's President Milosevic on the opening day of the November cease-fire talks in Dayton, Ohio. Croatia's President Tudjman looks on. The ensuing Paris peace agreement of December sends 60,000 NATO peacekeeping troops to the war-torn country.

In November, the Republic of Ireland narrowly passes a referendum calling for an end to the country's 1937 constitutional ban on divorce.

While competing in an international balloon race in September, two hot air balloonists, one English and one American, are shot down when their balloon floats off course over Belarus. The Belarussian army sees the balloon as a security threat and fires without warning. The balloonists fall to their death.

More than four years after Desert Storm, Iraq's President Saddam Hussein remains in power, though two of his sons-in-law defect to Jordan on August 8 and call for Hussein's overthrow.

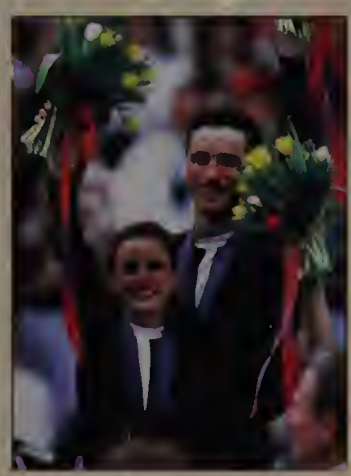


Brooks Kraft, Sygma

Quebec, Canada's largely French-speaking province, defeats an October referendum on Quebec independence by a margin of less than one percent.

Thomas Renaut, Gamma/Liaison

In July, without public explanations, Burma's military rulers free the country's most famous political prisoner, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, leader of the pro-democracy movement and Nobel peace laureate, after six years of house arrest.



Clive Brunskill, Allsport

Russian figure skater Sergei Grinkov, 28, collapses and dies from a heart attack during practice with his wife-partner Ekaterina Gordeeva on November 20. The pair won two Olympic gold medals and four world pairs titles.

Gamma/Liaison

Great Britain's Princess Diana shocks Buckingham Palace with a tell-all BBC interview. Defying royal protocol, she discusses her marriage to unfaithful husband, Prince Charles, her struggle with depression and bulimia, and an extramarital affair. The majority of English people express their support and sympathy.

AP/ Wide World

Securities trader Nicholas Leeson is arrested in Germany in March 1995 for fraud, forgery, and breach-of-trust. Leeson racked up a $1.32 billion loss that caused the collapse of Barings PLC, the 233-year-old British bank.

national news

A San Francisco sewer line bursts under pressure from battering rainstorms, creating a monster sinkhole that swallows a $2-million house in the Sea Cliff district. One-hundred-mile-per-hour winds knock out power to tens of thousands of homes and nearly blow a truck off the Bay Bridge.

Brant Ward, *San Francisco Chronicle*/Gamma/Liaison

Three days of drenching rains in the Pacific Northwest swell rivers to overflowing, causing severe flooding in Washington in December. In the town of Carnation, a pastor conveys a woman to dry land with a wheelbarrow.

AP/Wide World

The federal government repeals the national 55-mile-per-hour highway speed limit, enacted in 1974 during the oil embargo. The legislation allows states to set their own limits. On Montana highways, speed limits are eliminated completely.

Larry Downing, Sygma

African-American men from across the country converge on Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March on October 16. The march, led by Nation-of-Islam minister Louis Farrakhan, promotes African-American unity, dignity, and family values.

AFP/Bettmann

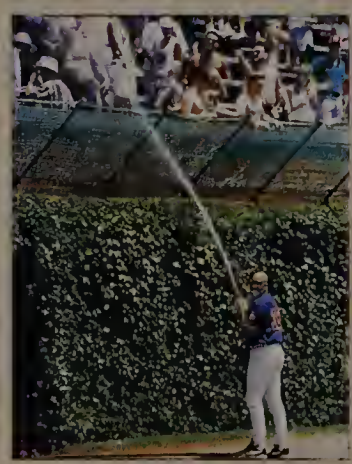
Air Force Captain Scott O'Grady (right) is rescued from pursuing Bosnian Serb forces by U.S. Marines on June 8, six days after his plane is shot down over Bosnia. O'Grady survived on insects, plants, and rainwater.

Markel, Gamma/Liaison

U.S. Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon resigns on September 7, the day after the Senate Ethics Committee voted unanimously to expel him for sexual misconduct, embarrassingly detailed in his diaries, which were made public.

AP/Wide World

The nation comes to a standstill on October 3 as more than 150 million people watch live TV coverage of the outcome of the nine-month-long trial of the century. After less than four hours of deliberation, the jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson not guilty of the murders of his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman.



Scott Olson, Sipa Press

Illinois suffers a record heat wave in July, with temperatures as high as 104°. The heat takes the lives of 457 people statewide. At Wrigley Stadium, Jaime Navarro helps faithful Chicago Cubs fans stay cool.

Gifford, Gamma/Liaison

After a year of fame as a conservative revolutionary, Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich slumps in popularity, tainted by the government shutdown, his stalled Contract With America, and investigations into his political action committee and his financial affairs.

Two-thousand volunteer firefighters battle a raging wildfire in eastern Long Island, New York, for three days in August. The fire, following a 21-day drought, consumes 5,500 acres of pine barrens and damages a dozen homes. There are no injuries or fatalities.

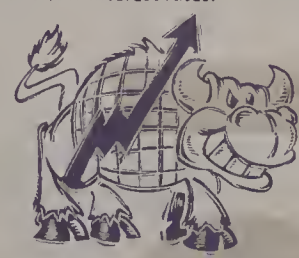
The image of firefighter Chris Fields holding one-year-old Baylee Almon, who later dies, comes to symbolize the horror of the April 19 bombing of the Oklahoma City Federal Building that killed 150 adults and 19 children.

Charles H. Porter, IV, Sygma

Zielenbach, *Chicago Tribune* from Gamma/Liaison

On April 30, the adoptive parents of four-year-old "Baby Richard" comply with an Illinois court order to turn the child over to his biological parents.

As more Americans invest, Wall Street enjoys a bull market. In November, the Dow-Jones Industrial Average hits 5000, a milestone indicating healthy corporate profits and low interest rates.



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The government shuts down for six days in November after the President and Congress fail to agree on how to balance the federal budget. The shutdown affects non-essential federal services, including the National Park Service. A longer shutdown follows in December.

flash

Despite Americans' doubts and fears, U.S. troops head for Bosnia in December. The 20,000 U.S. forces, serving under NATO command beside 40,000 European allies, face the task of keeping peace among the country's warring Serbs, Croats and Muslims.

The State of South Carolina sentences Susan Smith to life in prison for the drowning murder of her two young sons in 1994.

An anonymous donor sends St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis $1 million in the form of a winning ticket from McDonald's November "Monopoly" sweepstakes game.

In the wake of a growing number of random attacks from assailants with knives and guns, White House security is forced to close Pennsylvania Avenue to traffic.

After allegedly ignoring federal pollution regulations for years, General Motors agrees under threat of an $11-million fine to recall 500,000 Cadillacs at a cost of $45 million.

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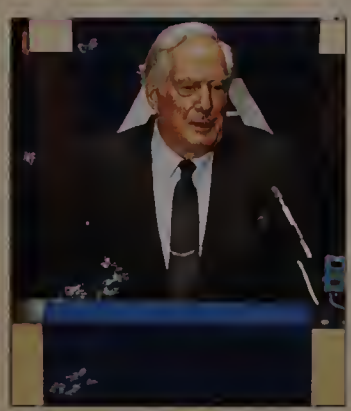
A record snowfall paralyzes the East Coast in January 1996, stranding travelers and killing 100 people. Seven states, from Virginia to Massachusetts, declare emergencies. Philadelphia gets 30.7 inches of snow.



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Warren E. Burger, Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1969 to 1986, dies in June at age 87. Though appointed by President Richard Nixon, he ordered Nixon to turn over tapes in the Watergate hearings that effectively ended the president's career.

AP/Wide World

The Washington Post publishes a manifesto written by the unidentified killer known as "The Unabomber," at large since 1978 and wanted for 16 mail bombs that have killed 3 and injured 23. FBI agents scrutinize the article for clues to the bomber's identity.

AP/Wide World

A Chicago commuter train slams into the back end of a loaded school bus. The accident, allegedly caused by a poorly timed stoplight placed too near the tracks, kills 7 students and injures 28 on October 25.

Bettmann Archive

American women celebrate the 75th anniversary of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which granted women the right to vote. Women's suffrage leader Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) first organized the fight for suffrage in 1848.

science news

Wubbo De Jong/Het Parool from Sygma

As the result of an improperly cleaned test tube at a fertility clinic, a woman in the Netherlands gives birth to twin boys, each from a different father.

NASA

A stunning photograph from the Hubble Space Telescope captures a moment in the birth of a star in the Eagle Nebula, 7,000 light years from Earth. Light from the young star's nuclear furnace lifts towering pillars of hydrogen gas and interstellar dust.

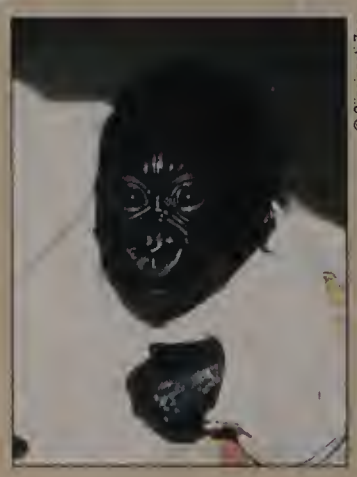
AP/Wide World

Archaeologists discover a 3,000-year-old tomb in May that is believed to hold the remains of 52 sons of Ramses II, Pharaoh of Egypt.

Dr. Jeffrey Fried, Gamma/Liaison

Researchers announce that they have isolated a gene in mice linked to obesity. Mice with a mutated OB gene are injected with the hormone leptin, resulting in dramatic weight loss. The public is tantalized at the prospect of leptin as a slimming treatment for use in humans.

In March, the Federal Drug Administration approves a chicken-pox vaccine. Rarely fatal, chicken-pox affects 3.7 million Americans annually.



© Cincinnati Zoo

The world's first test-tube gorilla is born at the Cincinnati Zoo in October as part of an effort to save the western lowland gorilla, an endangered species that numbers fewer than 450 animals.

AP/Wide World

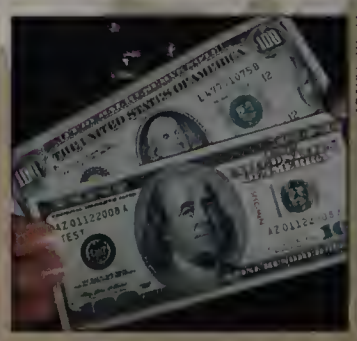
Fossils of a jawbone (left) and leg bone (right) found in Kenya in August reveal a previously unknown species of upright hominid that lived four million years ago, pushing the emergence of bipedalism back half a million years. Walking upright is a key adaptation that separates humans from apes.

Val Mazzenga/Chicago Tribune

Media attention focuses on melatonin, a naturally occurring hormone used to induce sleep and slow the effects of aging. Lauded as a wonder drug, a kilogram of synthetic melatonin sells for as much as $10,000.

AP/Wide World

In a procedure known as tissue engineering, scientists grow a human ear under the skin of a laboratory mouse. Researchers hope the procedure will play an important role in the future of transplant surgery.



As a protective measure against counterfeiting in the era of digital publishing, the Treasury Department redesigns U.S. currency bills, to be issued over the next five years, starting early 1996 with the new $100 bill.

flash

Former rivals in space become comrades in space after the historic docking of the U.S. space shuttle *Atlantis* and Russia's *Mir* space station on June 29. Astronaut Robert Gibson (in red) greets cosmonaut Vladimir Dezhurov.

NASA

In June, volcanic eruptions give birth to a baby island. A new member of the Tonga Islands emerges near New Zealand, 900 feet high and 140 feet wide.

AP/Wide World

Gamma/Liaison

Buyers rush to stores for the new computer operating system Windows 95, spurred by Microsoft Corp.'s $700-million publicity barrage and the promise of a friendlier interface.

A. Tannenbaum, Sygma

The movie *Apollo 13* opens in the summer after filming many of its scenes inside NASA's "zero gravity" plane, which mimics the weightlessness astronauts experience in space by diving into a 23-second freefall.

After a decade-long search, scientists isolate what may be the most important cancer-related gene. The defective gene known as ATM is associated with cancers of the breast, colon, lung, stomach, pancreas and skin, and may be carried by two million Americans.

Astronomers using the Hubble Space Telescope observe new moons orbiting the planet Saturn, adding at least 2 moons and possibly 4 to Saturn's previously known total of 18.

A team of French and British explorers believe they have found an ancient breed of horse previously unknown to scientists. In November, the four-foot high horse with a triangular head, which resembles the vanished horses of European Stone Age drawings, is named Riwoche for its home region in Tibet.

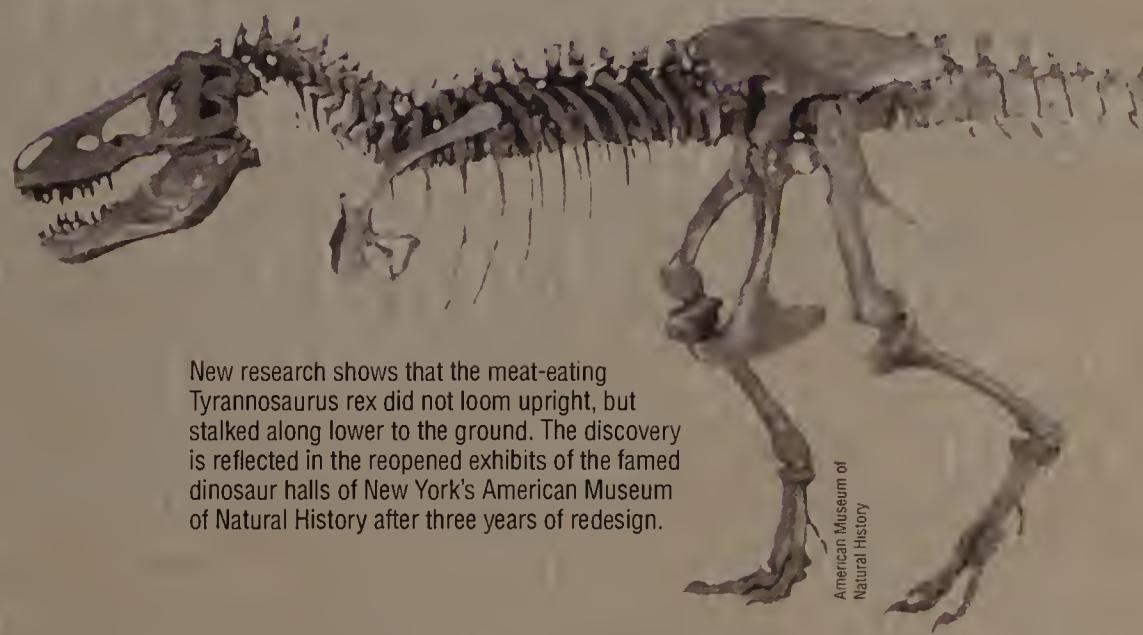
October satellite photographs show the recent rapid deterioration of the earth's ozone layer above Antarctica. Pollutants produced mostly by the U.S. cause the hole in the atmosphere's protective layer to increase to the size of Europe.

VISA International

In November, Visa introduces a cash-storage card that eliminates a pocketful of loose change. A chip in the plastic card tracks the amount of available cash, which is accessed with a reader at the place of purchase. The card can be taken to the bank and reloaded.

Nintendo of America

Now virtual reality comes in a handy travel size with Nintendo's latest, Virtual Boy, a portable 3-D video-game system with stereophonic sound.



American Museum of Natural History

New research shows that the meat-eating Tyrannosaurus rex did not loom upright, but stalked along lower to the ground. The discovery is reflected in the reopened exhibits of the famed dinosaur halls of New York's American Museum of Natural History after three years of redesign.

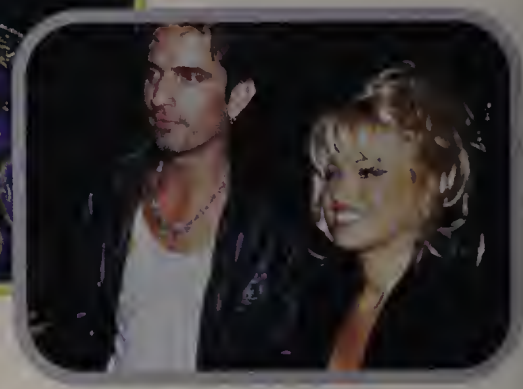
faces in the news

Already well known for her appearances in Aerosmith music videos, 19-year-old Alicia Silverstone achieves stardom with the 1995 summer movie hit *Clueless*.

Dana Fineman, Sygma

J.L. Bulcao, Gamma/Liaison

With $150,000 saved during her 75 hardworking years as a washerwoman, Oseola McCarty establishes a scholarship fund for African-American students at the University of Southern Mississippi. For her selflessness, she is awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal.



Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Pamela Lee of "Baywatch" fame and husband Tommy Lee, Motley Crüe drummer, are the life of the party this year, frequently caught by the press engaging in public displays of affection.

Bill Jordan, *Charleston Post Courier* from Sipa Press

Trailblazer Shannon Faulkner (hand to head) withdraws from the Citadel after collapsing during "hell week." Faulkner singlehandedly attempted to bust the gender barrier at the all-male South Carolina military institution.

Frank Capri/Saga from Archive Photos

Millions of Americans tune in to Martha Stewart's TV show, subscribe to her magazine, and read her books. The popular cooking and home-decorating entrepreneur builds an empire by packaging a distinctive American nostalgic style.

Marc Deville, Gamma/Liaison

Bill Gates, founder and chairman of the computer giant Microsoft, becomes the wealthiest man in the world on the success of his company's software. His book *The Road Ahead* hits *The New York Times* best-seller list.

Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Hot actor Antonio Banderas falls in love with another screen sex-symbol Melanie Griffith during the filming of *Two Much*. Banderas will co-star with Madonna in the film version of *Evita* and will star in Steven Spielberg-produced *Zorro*.

Yoram Kahana, Shooting Star

Seventies superstar John Travolta's motion-picture comeback in the 1994 hit *Pulp Fiction* continues with starring roles in *Get Shorty* and *Broken Arrow*.

Sandra Bullock follows up her star-making role in *Speed* with the gentle romance *While You Were Sleeping*. Bullock's fresh, wholesome image earns her an "Entertainer of the Year" nomination from *Entertainment Weekly* magazine.

America is disappointed in its high hopes for Colin Powell's 1996 presidential candidacy. At the close of his whirlwind book tour for *My American Journey*, the General and his wife Alma announce in November that he will not seek the Republican nomination.

Pete Souza, Gamma/Liaison

Stand-up comic and sitcom star Ellen DeGeneres makes the best-seller list with her book *My Point...And I Do Have One.*

Sandra Johnson, Retna

AP/Wide World

Christopher Reeve, in a wheelchair and hooked up to a portable respirator, appears with his wife, Dana, at the American Paralysis Association's annual gala on November 9, less than five months after a fall from a horse left him almost totally paralyzed.

AP/Wide World

A 10-year-old St. Louis schoolboy, Larry Champagne III, becomes a hero by taking control of his school bus after the driver suffered a stroke. Champagne is later awarded a $10,000 scholarship by the bus company.

flash

Calvin Klein's provocative CK Jeans campaign causes an uproar in August, bringing nasty headlines, threats of retailer boycotts and an FBI investigation. The scandal only seems to help sales.

Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley announce their divorce almost a year after their surprise marriage. The tabloids have a field day speculating about the reasons for the marriage (was it a cold-hearted career move?) as well as the causes for the break-up (was he after Elvis' fortune?).

***Breaking the Surface*, the autobiography of Greg Louganis, former U.S. Olympic gold-medal diver who revealed earlier that he has AIDS, debuts at No. 2 on the best-seller list.**

Popcorn magnate Orville Redenbacher, who transformed popping corn into a gourmet item, dies on September 19 from heart failure.

Two Chinese women set a new Guiness world record in November by living in a room for 12 days with 888 poisonous snakes. The previous world record, set in Singapore in 1987, was 10 days with 200 snakes.

Marissa Roth, LGI

Actress Demi Moore becomes the highest paid woman in Hollywood, able to command $12.5 million per movie, even after this year's flop at the box office *The Scarlet Letter*, loosely based on Hawthorne's classic.

Tim Mosenfelder, LGI

Favorite of America's heartland for his *You Might Be A Redneck If...* jokes, Georgia-born stand-up comic and author Jeff Foxworthy gets his own ABC sitcom in which he plays himself.

Nancy Kaszerman, Shooting Star

Model Beckford Tyson, singled out by Ralph Lauren for his all-American looks, signs an exclusive contract with the fashion designer in 1995.

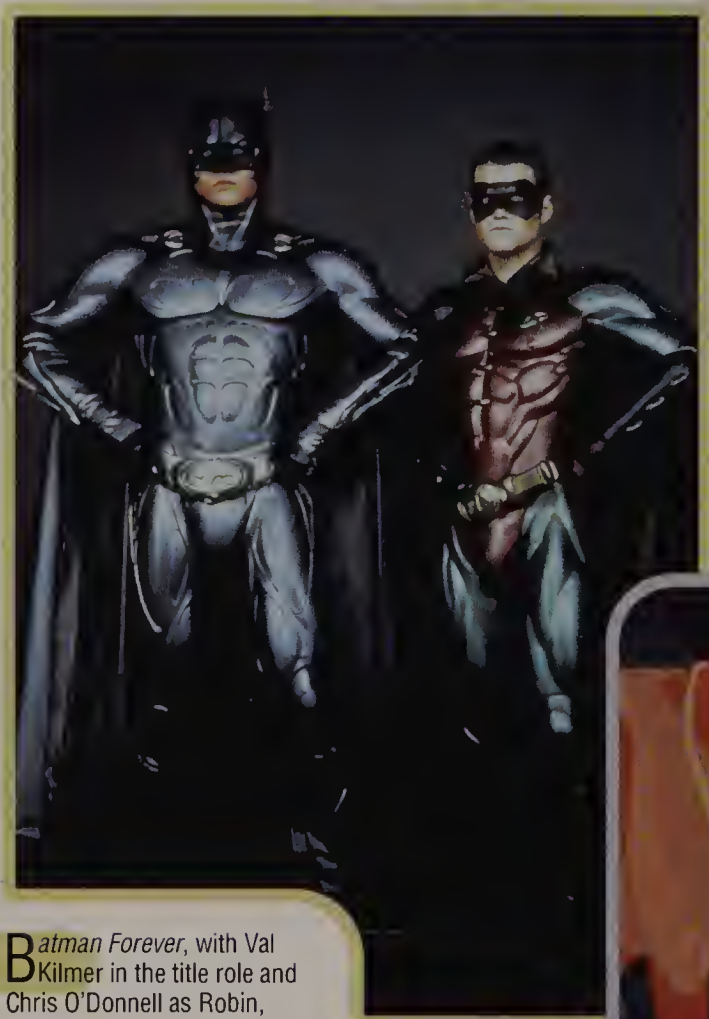
AP/Wide World

Miss Oklahoma Shawntel Smith is crowned Miss America on September 16. During the broadcast of the 75th pageant, viewers phone in their votes to retain the swimsuit competition.

Kurt Viavant, Sipa Press

John F. Kennedy, Jr., is cofounder and editor-in-chief of *George*, a glossy new magazine covering American politics. Hounded all his life by the press, Kennedy joins their ranks, contributing a feature interview to each issue.

entertainment news



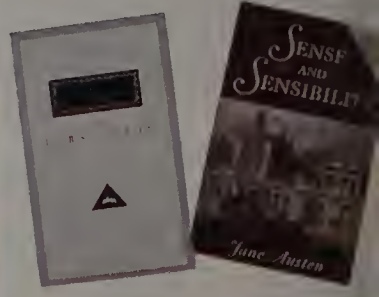
Sygma

Batman Forever, with Val Kilmer in the title role and Chris O'Donnell as Robin, becomes the third Batman movie and the summer's top-grossing film.

United Artists from Shooting Star

The fifth actor to play 007 in the enduring film series begun in the 1960s, Pierce Brosnan abandons his Aston Martin for a BMW Z3 Roadster in *Goldeneye*, the latest and, some say, best James Bond movie.

Three 1995 movies bring Jane Austen classics to the silver screen: *Clueless,* based on Austen's novel *Emma*, and *Sense and Sensibility* and *Persuasion*.



Disney Pictures from Shooting Star

Disney Pictures continues its line of animated blockbusters with the Native American legend *Pocahontas*. The picture previews in New York's Central Park to an outdoor audience of 200,000.

M. Gerber, LGI

After an unpromising start, Conan O'Brien quietly gains popularity as host of NBC's "Late Night," a slot previously filled by David Letterman. Letterman's current show on CBS slowly loses viewers.

Yoram Kahana, Shooting Star

Whitney Houston stars in the December film release, *Waiting to Exhale*, adapted from Terry McMillan's best-selling novel about the lives of four middle-class African-American women. Houston sings the title song for the movie soundtrack, which enjoys brisk sales.

Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Denzel Washington, critically acclaimed for his performances in films *Crimson Tide* and *Devil in a Blue Dress*, receives highest praise from the City of Los Angeles, which honors him with the Martin Luther King, Jr., Award for his philanthropic work on behalf of children.

Bedford Falls from Shooting Star

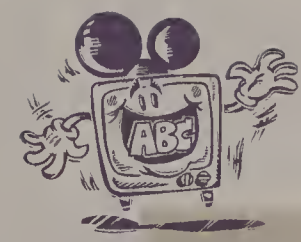
Although ABC cancels her TV series "My So-Called Life," 17-year-old Claire Danes hits the big screen in *How to Make an American Quilt, To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday*, and *Romeo and Juliet* with Leonardo DiCaprio as her co-star.

In the suspense-thriller *Seven*, heartthrob Brad Pitt attracts a wide male audience with his performance as a detective on the trail of a serial killer whose murders are based on the seven deadly sins.

flash

Jeff Katz, Gamma/Liaison

NBC's hospital drama "E.R." continues to draw high ratings throughout 1995 thanks to its dramatic realism and the appeal of handsome George Clooney (middle right), supermodel Cindy Crawford's latest date.



Disney Entertainment spends $19 billion to purchase the ABC television network in July.

Disney Pictures from Shooting Star

Toy Story is the world's first entirely computer-animated film. Released by Disney during the Christmas season, it features the voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, and Don Rickles.

MTV introduces "Singled Out," an over-the-top dating game show where contestants ask random, pointless questions of a crowd of suitors, sight unseen, until the zany answers have eliminated all but that one perfect love match.

According to a Roper Youth Poll, the two hottest TV shows among teens this season are the daytime soap "Days of Our Lives" and the evening soap "Melrose Place."

"The Jon Stewart Show," a late-night talk show aimed at Generation X, fails to catch on. During the final taping, host Stewart says, "To all those people who said my show wouldn't last, I have only one thing to say. Good call."

Sam Jones, Gamma/Liaison

Pacha, LGI

Jim Carrey earns $20 million for the starring role in the comedy *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*, a sequel to the extraordinarily popular *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*.

The popular NBC TV series "Friends" returns for a second highly rated season. Its runaway success inspires less successful imitations by other networks.

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Ten years after creating the popular comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," cartoonist Bill Watterson retires in December.

Steve Hill, LGI

Horror-fiction author Stephen King signs a deal with Signet books to release his upcoming story, *The Green Mile*, as a paperback series.

Fox from Shooting Star

Fox TV's "The X Files" stars David Duchovny as an FBI agent who investigates supernatural phenomena. The show becomes a surprise hit, giving millions of viewers reason to look forward to staying home on a Friday night.

Devoted fans will not be denied another season of NBC's sitcom "Seinfeld" after all. Creator Jerry Seinfeld decides to keep his "show about nothing" going for an eighth season.

AP/Wide World

sports news

International soccer star Michelle Akers, world's top woman player, leads the U.S. women's soccer team to a 2-1 sudden-death victory over Norway in the U.S. Cup title game in August.

Chris Cole, Allsport

Focus on Sports

The New Jersey Devils win the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup, beating the heavily favored Detroit Red Wings in four straight games.

The most controversial moves are off the field this season as the Cleveland Browns NFL franchise announces its move to Baltimore and the Houston Oilers announce their move to Nashville.

Clark Campbell, Sipa Press

In May 1995, Peter Blake's Team New Zealand in "Black Magic 1" defeats Dennis Conner's team in "Young America" in the first 5-0 sweep in the 144-year history of the America's Cup.

AP/Wide World

In Super Bowl XXX, the heavily favored Dallas Cowboys beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 27-17. Dallas cornerback Larry Brown ices the game for the Cowboys with the second of his two interceptions, and is named MVP for his heroics.

David Taylor, Allsport

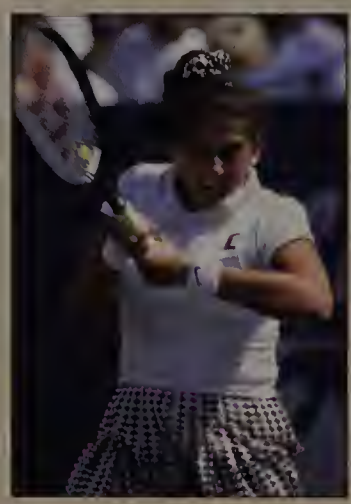
Jeff Gordon, 24, dominates the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing's Winston Cup, winning 7 of NASCAR's 31 races and earning $4.3 million in 1995, a record for the sport.

AP/Wide World

The University of Nebraska demolishes the University of Florida, 62-24, in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl to win their second consecutive national college football title and cap Cornhuskers coach Tom Osborne's 23rd season.

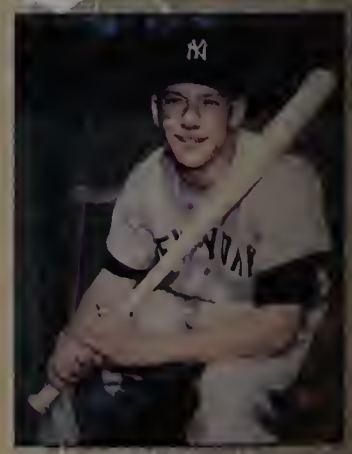
Reuters/Bettmann

The Houston Rockets, led by center Hakeem Olajuwon, win their second consecutive National Basketball Association championship in June, sweeping the series with the Orlando Magic in four games.



Steve Berman, Gamma/Liaison

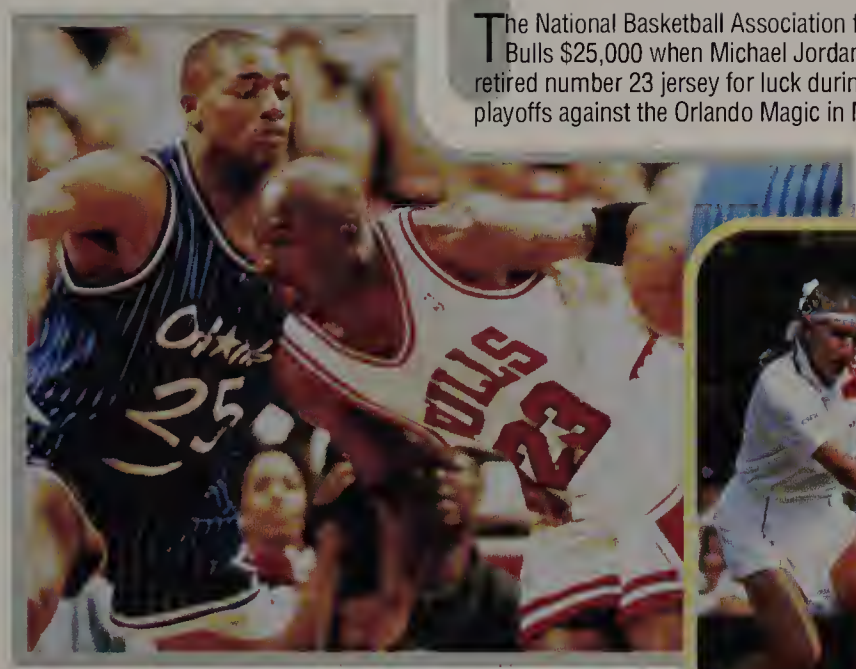
Twenty-one-year-old tennis champ Monica Seles, returning to competitive play two years after being stabbed at a tournament in Germany, wins the 1995 Australian Open.



Hall-of-Famer Mickey Mantle, a switch-hitter and one of the great sluggers in baseball history, dies of cancer on August 13. Mantle hit 536 home runs in his 18-year career and compiled a lifetime batting average of .298.

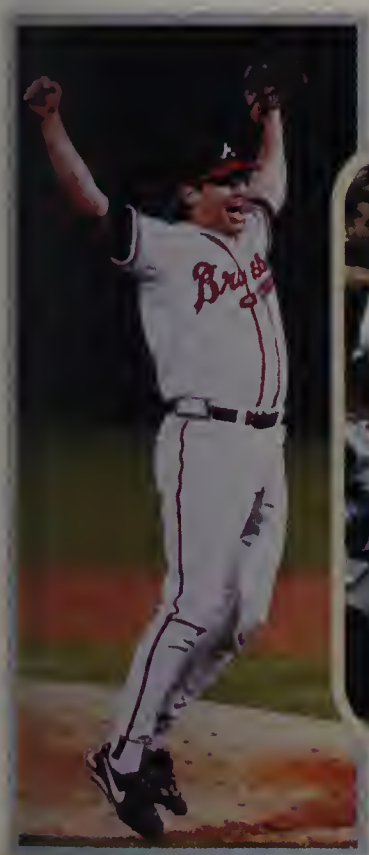
flash

The National Basketball Association fines the Chicago Bulls $25,000 when Michael Jordan wears his previously retired number 23 jersey for luck during championship playoffs against the Orlando Magic in May 1995.

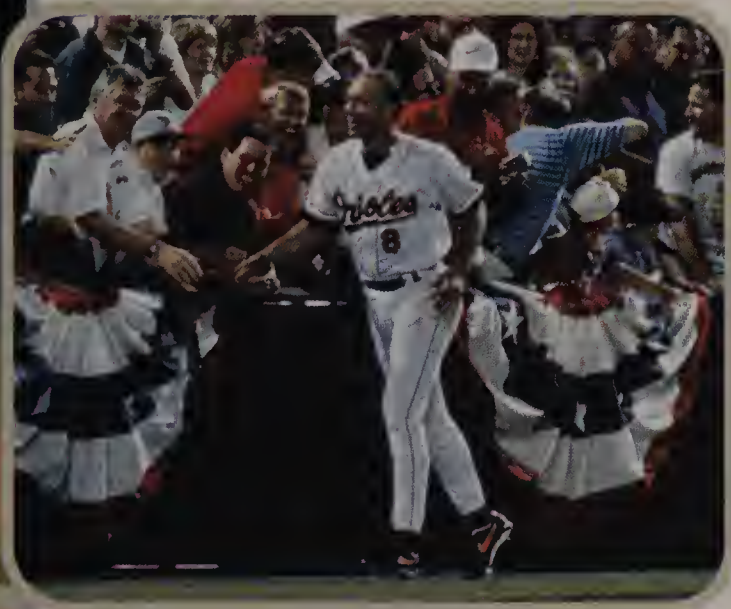


Vincent Laforet, Gamma/Liaison

The Atlanta Braves edge the Cleveland Indians 1-0 in game six to win the World Series on October 28. Closing pitcher Mark Wohlers leaps for joy.



Ric Stewart, Allsport



Doug Pensinger, Allsport

In September, Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripkin, Jr., achieves a record-setting 2,131 consecutive games.

Clive Brunskill, Allsport

German tennis star Steffi Graf, who won three of five Grand Slam titles in 1995, ends the professional tennis season ranked number one in the world.

National Basketball Association referees strike against the league for much of the autumn. Fill-in officials spark complaints of substandard refereeing.

Former L.A. Lakers point guard Earvin "Magic" Johnson announces a return to basketball in January 1996. Johnson retired in 1991 when he discovered he was HIV positive.

The Northwestern University Wildcats—long a gridiron laughingstock—pile up ten victories in 1995 and go to the Rose Bowl for the first time since 1949.

In his first fight in four years, former world heavyweight champ Mike Tyson disposes of challenger Peter McNeeley in 89 seconds. Tyson, who in March finished a three-year jail term for a rape conviction, earns $25 million for the August boxing match.

Pete Sampras, winner of the 1995 men's singles championships at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, ends the professional tennis season with a number-one world ranking.

AP/Wide World

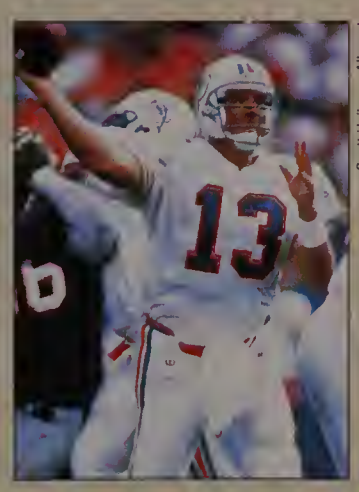
Known for his temperamental personality, his many tattoos and his aggressive playing style, basketball center Dennis Rodman (91) debuts with the Chicago Bulls after his trade from the San Antonio Spurs.

Mike Powell, Allsport

For a record fifth straight time, Miguel Indurain of Spain wins the 22-day, 2,270-mile Tour de France, the world's premier bicycle race. On the 15th day of the race, Italian road-race champ Fabio Casartelli is killed in a seven-man crash.

Focus on Sports

Betsy King wins her 30th tournament on June 25 and gains entry to the Ladies' Professional Golf Association's Hall of Fame, one of the most difficult attainments in sports.



Scott Halleran, Allsport

Quarterback Dan Marino of the Miami Dolphins sets four lifetime passing records during the 1995 football season: 47,003 yards, 342 touchdowns, 3,686 completions and 6,467 attempts.

Master of the sinking fastball and still learning to speak English, L.A. Dodgers pitcher Hideo Nomo, formerly with the Kintetsu Buffaloes in Japan, is named Rookie of the Year. Nomo is the second Japanese-born player to join the U.S. major leagues, and the first All-Star.

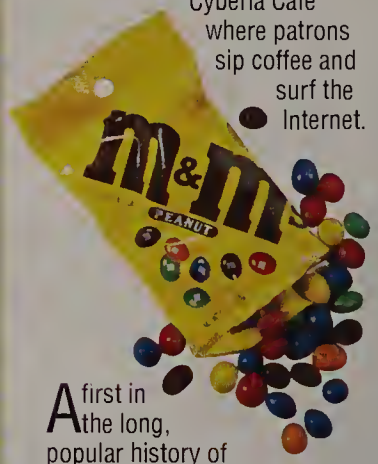
Jeff Christensen, Gamma/Liason

lifestyle news

The most recent fad in purses takes the form of small backpacks.

Designer water spreads to the pet world. Doting pet owners buy tuna-flavored bottled water for Fluffy and beef-flavored bottled water for Spot.

Diners are treated to variations on theme cafes, as Hard Rock Cafe is joined by Fashion Cafe, Planet Hollywood, Harley-Davidson Cafe, and London's Cyberia Cafe where patrons sip coffee and surf the Internet.



A first in the long, popular history of M&M's candies: a new blue M&M joins the colorful candy-coated mix.

Young people continue to follow the wide-leg jeans trend, forsaking tight jeans for a loose baggy fit.

The tattoo craze leads to some regrets, but recent laser developments keep people from being marked for life. Pulsed laser light, a different wavelength for each color in the tattoo, removes pigment without leaving scars.

Reuters/Archive Photos

Americans consume culture and history as attendance at America's 8,000 museums climbs to 600 million people per year, more than movie, theater, and sports attendance combined.

Mathieu Polak, Sygma

Logo-wear reaches a new level of sophistication. Among the reigning makers of athletic wear, only Nike can spark recognition without the use of its name.

Girly things enjoy a surge in popularity with young women, who wear baby barrettes, knee socks, tiny t-shirts, little jumpers, and funky Maryjanes, and kid around with "Hello Kitty" accessories.

Lynn Goldsmith, LGI

Taking her place among controversial talk-show hosts as the "Oprah for the junior set," Ricki Lake speaks to such concerns as, "Mom, when my boyfriend gets out of jail, I'm taking him back."

The angel message of "fear not" strikes a deep chord with Americans' yearning for spiritual growth and comfort in a stressful time. People enjoy angel collectibles, angel sites on the Internet, and angel books and magazines.

"Some pretty cool people drink milk" is the message carried by a high-profile ad campaign featuring a raft of popular celebrities sporting a white upper lip on behalf of the healthy beverage. The milk-moustache effect is created with latex, a rubber-based paint.

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THE ISSUE

Lawrence is looking at building a new $60 million high school.

OUR VIEW

The time for delay is over. Lawrence needs a new school now.

At some point a community has to make a decision: Does it care about its future, or doesn't it?

Does it want to rebuild pride in the community, or doesn't it?

Does it want to support the basics, or doesn't it?

Lawrence is at that crossroads now.

Despite almost heroic efforts by parents and educators to provide Lawrence's children a good education, the city's high school is in terrible shape. The time is long overdue to build a new one.

The city is looking at building a gleaming, $60 million high school with an attractive campus of 50 acres, including playing fields, a stadium, a swimming pool and a hockey arena — a school that Lawrence could point to with pride. Work could begin in 1997.

Currently, the city makes do with a cramped, crumbling building constructed in 1901, and given an annex in 1924. In 1982, the city dumped $16 million into a renovation. But this old building can only serve the modern needs of students for so long. The student body is expected to grow from the current 2,100 to 2,400 in 1998.

The poor condition of the facility is one reason a state accreditation committee has kept the school on partial probation since 1985, which means certification of diplomas is conceivably at risk. The committee cites Lawrence High School's lack of science labs and computer facilities, playing fields and a stadium in the vicinity of the school.

Lawrence's young people deserve better. They will need a first-rate education — which by definition includes work on computers and in science labs — if they hope to compete for increasingly technological jobs in the next century.

Lawrence is a poor community. But it is not too poor to undertake this project, given the fact that the state's taxpayers are willing to pay a whopping 90 percent of the cost — $54 million. Lawrence would only have to come up with the remaining $6 million.

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

Marc McGeehan/*Eagle-Tribune*

To open in fall: South Lawrence East Elementary, just north of Interstate 495 near Route 114.

As one school rises, plans for 3 more take shape

By Jim Van Anglen
Eagle-Tribune Writer

LAWRENCE — In September, the city will watch as the brand new 1,200-student South Lawrence East Elementary School opens just north of Interstate 495.

But if School Superintendent James F. Scully has his way, it will be only one of several new schools to appear on the Lawrence landscape.

As early as September, Mr. Scully plans to recommend $90 million in school construction, including a new high school, two new elementary schools, and renovations to two existing elementary schools.

He said all of the projects will be designed to be "cost neutral" to the city. He said the state is paying 90 percent of the $28.1 million South Lawrence East School. He is working to have the state pay even a greater percentage on the three new schools and renovations he plans to propose.

"For the life of me, I can't understand how anybody in Lawrence can oppose them," Mr. Scully said of the new construction projects.

Neighboring communities such as Haverhill and Lowell in recent years have built new schools and fixed their old ones, according to Mr. Scully. He said Chelsea, which was put in receivership a few years ago, is now rebuilding its schools.

"And Chelsea was more broke than Lawrence," Mr. Scully said, adding the state paid 95 percent of the cost of school construction in that community.

Mr. Scully said that in September he will formally go before the School Committee to recommend building:

A new high school to replace the current building, contstructed at the

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WHAT SCULLY IS PROPOSING

- ▶ A new high school, costing an estimated $50 million.
- ▶ Two new elementary schools, each housing 500 students and costing about $12.5 million. One would be on Prospect Hill and the other near Tarbox School in the Arlington District.
- ▶ Renovations to two old schools — as yet unnamed — for an estimated $4.8 million each.

A COMMUNITY TRAGEDY

Inferno destroy Malden Mills; 30 are injured

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Lawrence Plans to Build New High School

Mill owner promises he'll try to rebuild

Lawrence boys win mat title at Tyngsboro

WRESTLING

Coach **Joe Celia** has been around the **Lawrence High** wrestling program for many years, and for him last night was a first.

Powered by a pair of individual champions, Celia's Lancers captured the championship at the Tyngsboro Invitational Tournament yesterday.

"It's a first for me," said Celia. "I can't remember the last time Lawrence ever won a tournament."

Johnny Sanchez, at 130 pounds, and heavyweight **Jeff Solomon** earned titles for Lawrence, each pinning their opponents in the finals. For his efforts, Sanchez earned the "Outstanding Wrestler" award in the lower weight classes.

Dependable Lancer veterans **Ernesto Pena** (2nd, 112 pounds), **Amin Jimenez** (2nd, 119 pounds) and **Victor Gutierrez** (3rd, 145 pounds) turned in their typically solid efforts, but that only told half the story.

"I have a bunch of new kids," said Celia. "I have four or five kids that have never been on the mat before and they scored points for me."

Big newcomer **Pedro Pena** helped out with a third at 215 pounds, while freshman 103-pounder **Jose Binet** and 140-pounder **Nestor Valentin** took fourths.

In The Past Year We:

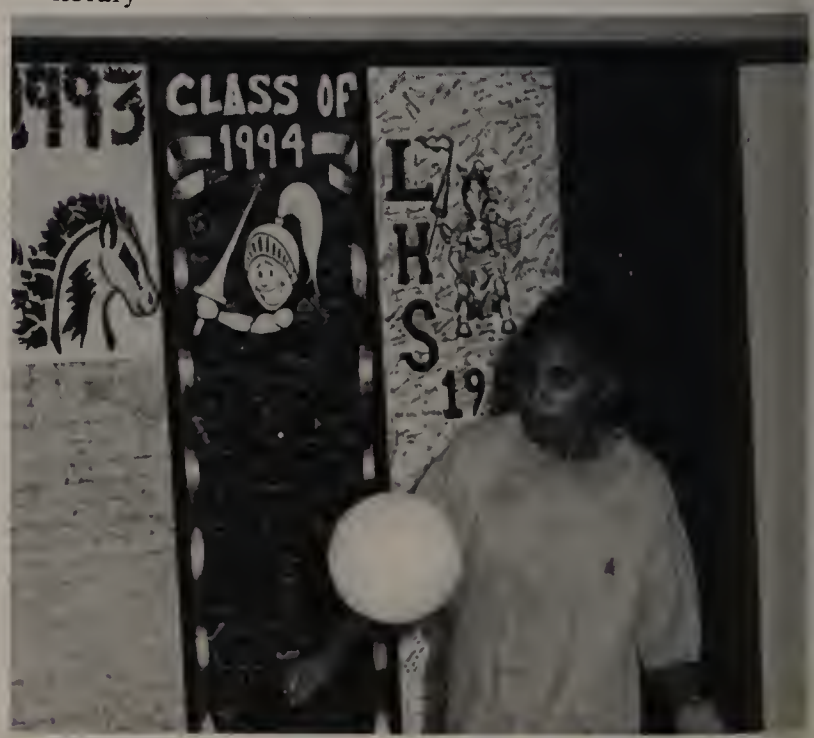
witnessed the trial of the century

listened to Les Franklin talk about overcoming all the obstacles in our lives

participated in the second year of J.R.O.T.C. in Lawrence High School

experienced many ordinary, and some extraordinary days as we prepared to sign our piece of the wall after graduation

received new computers throughout the school and in the library



ACTIVITIES

Kris and his sax.

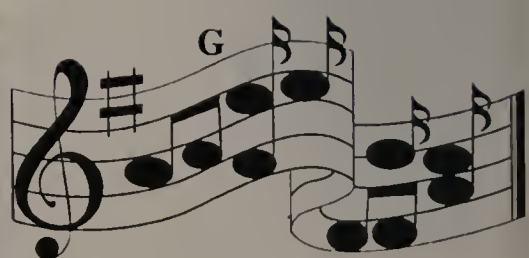
Rum pum pum pum . . .

Smile would you?!

Hup two, three, four . . .

Wow! This thing is HUGE!

Hit it!



CHOIR

Three of the boys in the Lawrence Choir sing out with joy at the Christmas Concert.

A corner of the choir is caught on film as they perform together in harmony.

Rosemarie sings out as one of the choir's senior participants.

Another side of the choir is photographed singing their parts in a Christmas Concert Melody.

As opening time nears one of the choir girls pears out to see how the audience is doing.

The choir girls sing out in harmony accompanied by the boys in the background.

Some of the choir members get together for a picture backstage before the concert.

95 LAWRENCE HIGH SCHOOL

Esmeralda sings for the crowd at her final L.H.S. Christmas Concert.

The Choir takes a break from practice to smile for the camera.

These girls aren't bashful around the camera, they can't wait to see their pictures.

The girls goof around on the stage before they have to perform in the concert.

As a senior Pam gets between two underclassmen to be the center of attention.

Becky clenches her teeth just before it is her turn to sing.

GIRLS ENSEMBLE 96

The girls prepare as their time to sing approaches.

Wendy and Mercedes smile for the camera during a break in the Christmas Concert.

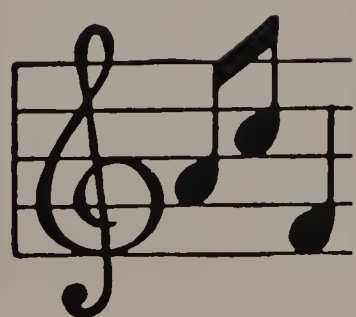
Esmeralda, Wendy, and Maria sing in harmony as Mr. Beninato accompanies them on the piano.

Backstage the girls of the select ensemble get together for a quick photo in their robes.

Four of the six seniors pose together in the band room during their period seven class.

Jessica takes a quick glance toward the photographer during a song.

The ensemble gathers around the piano to practice for the Pope.



Two of the ensemble members peer towards the photographer during the Christmas Concert.

PRODUCTION

It was a long year with many ups and downs in my role as yearbook editor-in-chief. Through it all there was a handful of people on the staff to make my job a lot easier, and at times a bit more stressful. Wendy Crocker was the faculty section editor, My Nguyen was the editor of the senior section. Pam Wall edited the sports section, and last but certainly not at all least Mai Le was the editor of the clubs section. No matter how much we argued I hope we can all be friends for eternity, and I appreciate the effort you each gave to make this year's book the best ever.

Mai, can I have a had picking out some clip art for the book?

Mai Le, we had some tough times in the beginning of the year but we managed to stay friends. Good-luck in College next year, hopefully U-Penn, Miss Valedictorian.

Hey Wendy, take off that robe this is homeroom and choir's next period.

Wendy Crocker, You always took my garbage and through it back at me while seeing what you could say to make me squirm in my seat. I wish you luck in your quest to land at Dartmouth College as the class of 1996 salutatorian. Thanks for the typewriter and education.

We're all skipping class together on club photo day.

Pamela Wall, "Hey Pam, how's that layout coming", "Oh Tom I'll have it tomorrow, don't worry" My favorite question and your answer. You always got the job done and you did it as well as anyone. Good-luck in the future and remember when it comes to guys there are many fish in the sea, yours will come "tomorrow."

Pam, who's that girls sitting next to you is she a member of the yearbook staff. P.S. We missed ya Lu.

MEMORIES

My Nguyen, You were always there, through thick and thin, plugging along helping to do what needed to be done. That is until you had enough of me and decided it was my turn, you'd done enough. I've thought about calling Cornell to warn them that little My Nguyen packs a big punch. Good-Luck

My and Zory, look up for a minute so we can take your picture hard at work.

Zoraida Barrio, your presence in homeroom wasn't realized until after you left. You didn't have time to get as involved as I know you would have liked to but we missed you when you were gone. Best of luck with Giovanni and in the future.

When this class is over make sure you get straight to homeroom. There's work to be done.

Rule #1: no singing in homeroom. If you do it again you'll have to take history period 6.

Rebecca Melnick, I know it was tough for you to be part of the yearbook after you were forced to take history during homeroom, but your contributions were greatly appreciated. "I see success in your future, no matter were you land Tarantella and I will never forget you again!" Best Wishes.

Kenia Concepcion and **Alexandra Urena,** you never got into our homeroom but your help in selling ads was much appreciated and made you valuable members of the Staff.

Insight into My's thoughts: "Hey Tom get out of the picture this is the girls turn."

BACK IN

Amin, Elvis, and Gabriel pose with Amin's afro puff.

Ramona in the Army.

Wendy and Jackie get refreshments after the L-pin ceremony.

Cheryl and Rosa Long ago and far away.

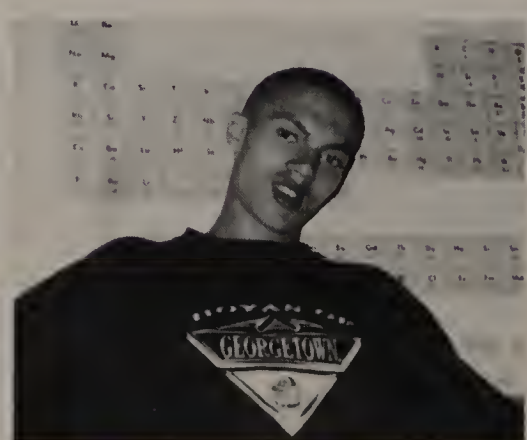
Eddie sneaks into a senior group photo.

Jose strikes a pose

Nelson and Ivan chill in an empty Caf.

Hector what's on Olien's teeth?

Frosties Kim, Michelle, and Pam get together.



Juan poses with the periodic table.

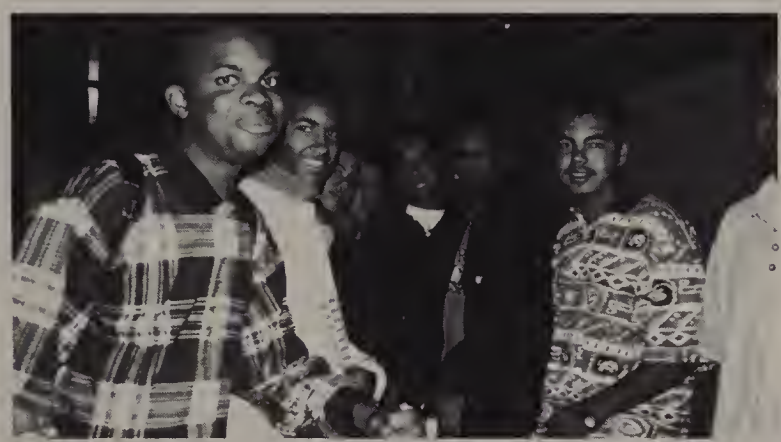
Elvis, Ray, and Juan chill outside the school store.

THE DAYS

Rosa and her crew freshman year.

Kim Calo at the Jr. Prom

Juan with a fro, Ana, and Corey with dreads.



From Sandy Gabin to her boyz'

Hey, Brian are you going to buy that?

The JROTC class at training

Honors English III at a play in Boston.

On the bus to U-Lowell college prep.

Shakira who's that man with you?

Elizabeth with the boys in Boston.

Juan, that's not Luz and Rosa is it?

The frosties, My, and Kristen goofing around.

Senior Princess Frances Suarez escorted by Amin Jiminez.

Homecoming Queen, Zoraida Barrio escorted by Victor Gutierrez and Elvis Campos.

Senior Princess, Olien Lu escorted by Rafeal Guzman.

Sophomore Princess Marial Tefeda, escorted by Gabriel Lopez.

Junior Princess Claudia Ruiz escorted by Mario Polanco.

Junior Pricess Sarah Hamill, escorted by Jeffrey Soloman.

Here is Zori sitting tall and pretty.

Here is Zori with the gang.

Upper classmen Queen and Princesses waving to the stands.

Underclassmen Princesses waving to the stands.

HOMECOMING

Homecoming Queen and her court, along with the L.H.S. Jr. ROTC.

I was very honored to represent the class of 1996 as Homecoming Queen. It was exciting to hear my name over the intercom when the results were given. The pep-rally was great, as all the students cheered for me and the other homecoming representatives with our football escorts. The parade from Shaw's Plaza to the stadium before the game was fun, but cold. This was a memorable experience, which I will never forget. Thank-you fellow members of the class of "96".

-Zoraida Barrio

P.S. Congratulations to the football team for defeating Rutland High in the homecoming game.

Trying to keep warm at the game.

All bundled up girls.

JR. PROM

Brian and Ramona are together at last.

Ralphie and Rosa are up close and personal at the Jr. Prom.

Corey, Brian, and Victor are goofing around as Jessica tries to take their picture.

Juan looks like he's having a good time with Luz and Elizabeth.

Shaq and tiny, a match made in heaven.

SOPH BANQUET

Gerson, Gabriel, Brian, and Elvis are chillin' before the party.

Eny thinks a picture with Ana and Luz is a definite laughing matter.

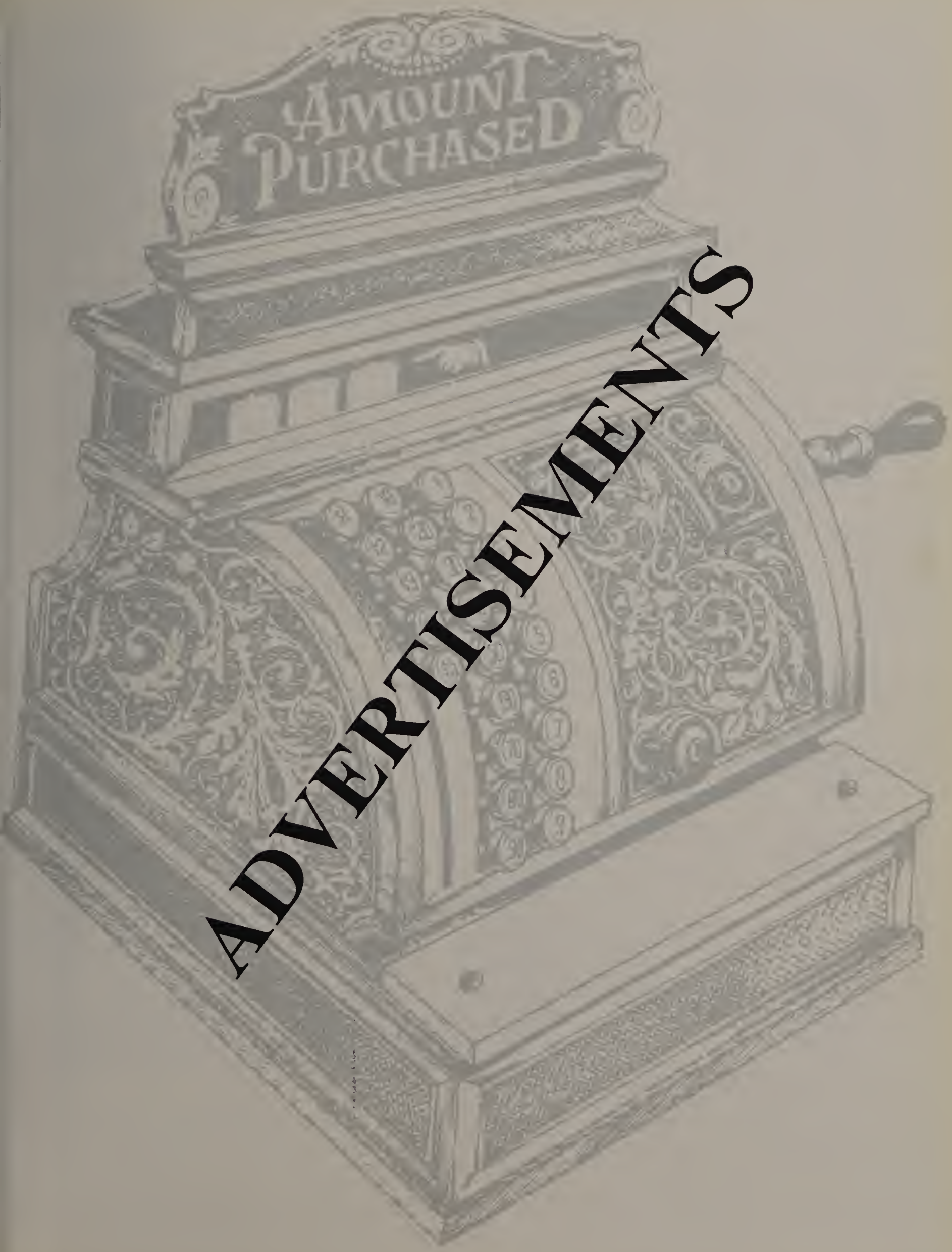
Juan, that's not the future class president in your arms is it?

CLASS OF 1996

LANCER LAOU

Oh! No! Zory's being eaten by a giant Hawaiian Shark.

Everybody's gettin' down at the Laou in the gym.



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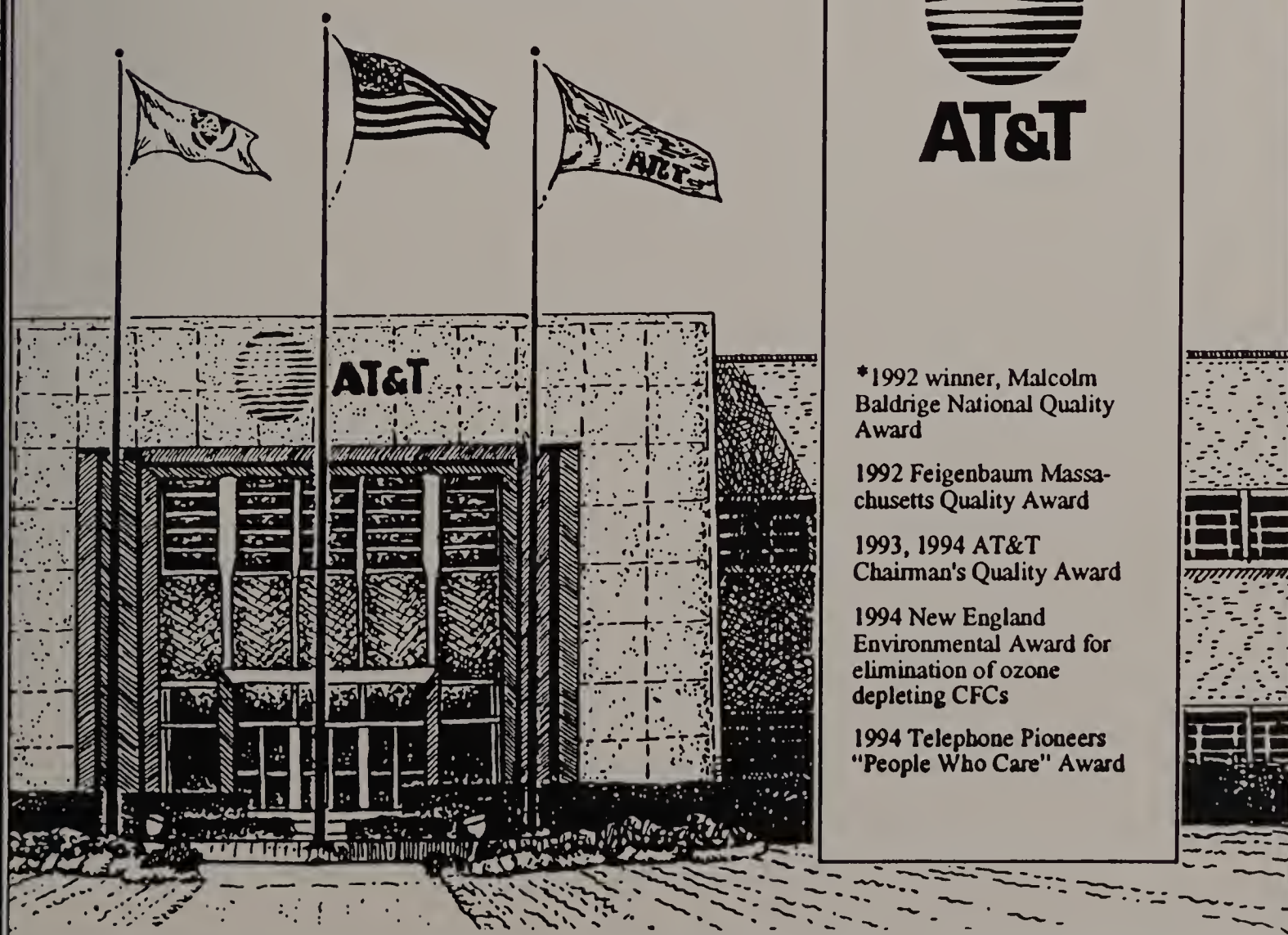

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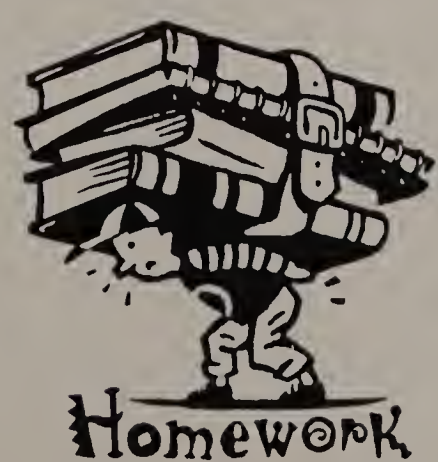

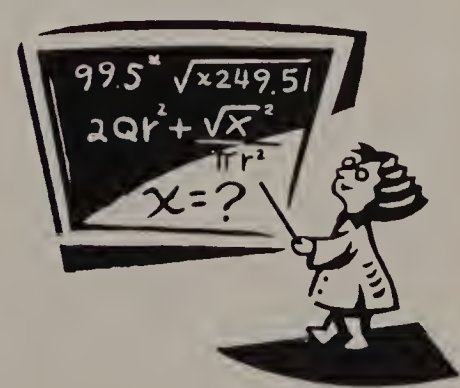

The Lawrence Community Partnership's mission is to reduce the use and acceptance of alcohol, tobacco & other drugs and prevent violence among all people in the city of Lawrence.

La mision de La Asociacion Comunitaria de Lawrence es reducir el uso y aceptacion de el alcohol, tabaco y otras drogas y prevenir la violencia entre todas las personas en la cuidad de Lawrence.

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